The labyrinth of magic

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AND BEGAN THE NECESSARY PREPARATIONS TO GAIN THEIR INDEPENDENCE AS A SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT OF PARTHEVIA.

AFTER THAT, SINDRIA TRADING COMPANY FINALIZED THEIR ALLIANCE WITH THE PARTHEVIAN EMPIRE

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...THANK YOU.

...NOW WE CAN CREATE OUR OWN COUNTRY HERE.

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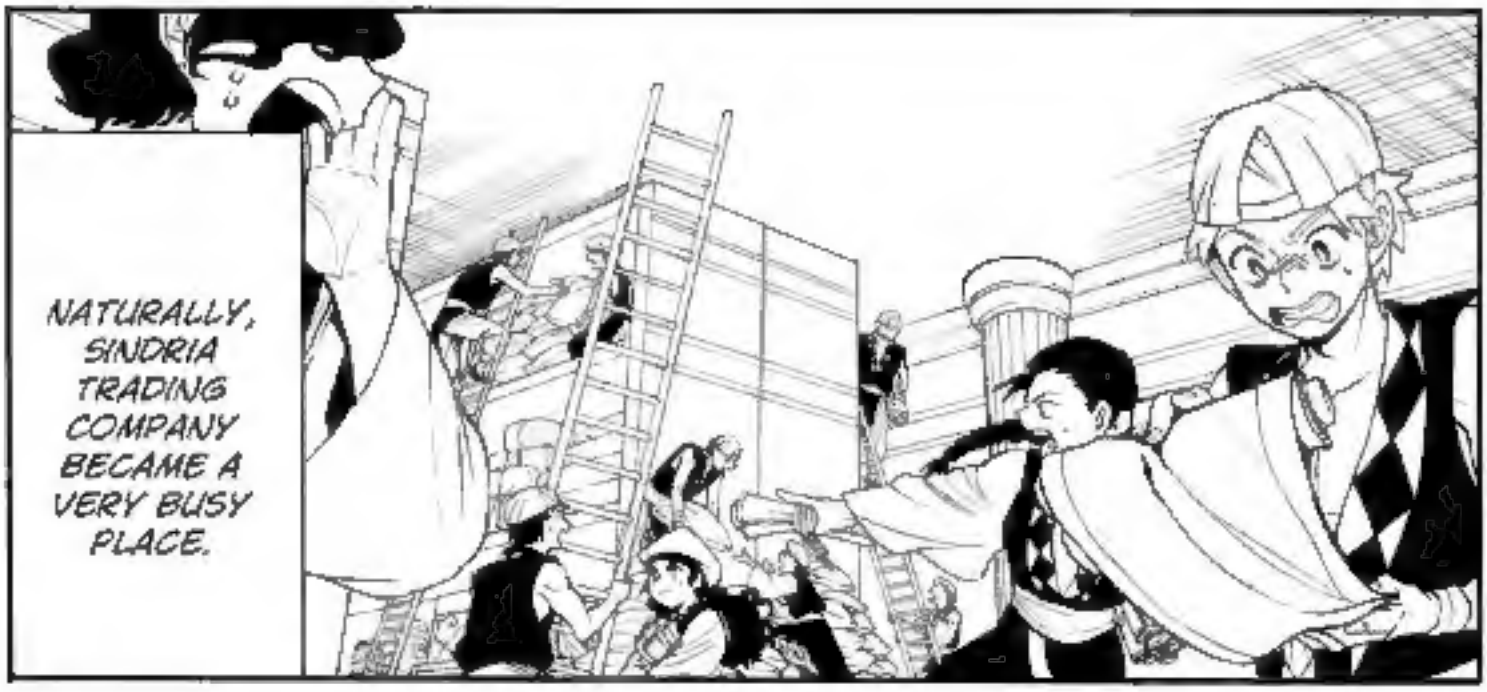
...HOW IS IT?
WE DISPOSED OF EVERYTHING JUST AS YOU WISHED.


NATURALLY, SINDRIA TRADING COMPANY BECAME A VERY BUSY PLACE.

IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE SUPPORT OF THEIR ALLIES, REPRESENTATIVES PAID A VISIT TO EACH OF THEIR COUNTRIES.

AS MERE MERCHANTS, LEARNING HOW TO CREATE A COUNTRY FROM THE GROUND UP WAS NO EASY TASK,

IT WAS EASY TO SEE HIS FATIGUE,

IT WAS LIKE...
BUT THAT DIDN'T HALT HIS PRO-GRESS.

BUT THEY PUT ALL THEIR EFFORTS TOWARDS ACCOM-PLISHING IT.
AS THE HEAD OF THE COMPANY, SIN-BAD WORKED ESPECIALLY HARD.

HE WAS TRYING TO FORGET SOMETHING...

IN FACT, THE CLOSER WE GET TO FOUNDING OUR OWN KINGDOM, THE MORE EXCITED I GET.
OF COURSE IT'S A LOT OF WORK.

HOW WOULD IT LOOK IF THE HEAD OF THE COMPANY WASN'T WORKING HARD?
WE'RE TRYING TO BUILD OUR OWN COUNTRY.
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BESIDES, WE'RE ALL TIRED, AREN'T WE?

SEE? WE'RE ALL IN THE SAME BOAT. YOU GUYS SHOULD GET SOME REST.

MISTORAS! TH... THAT'S...
haven't slept either
...WELL, JA'FAR LOOKS LIKE HE HASN'T SLEPT IN THREE DAYS.

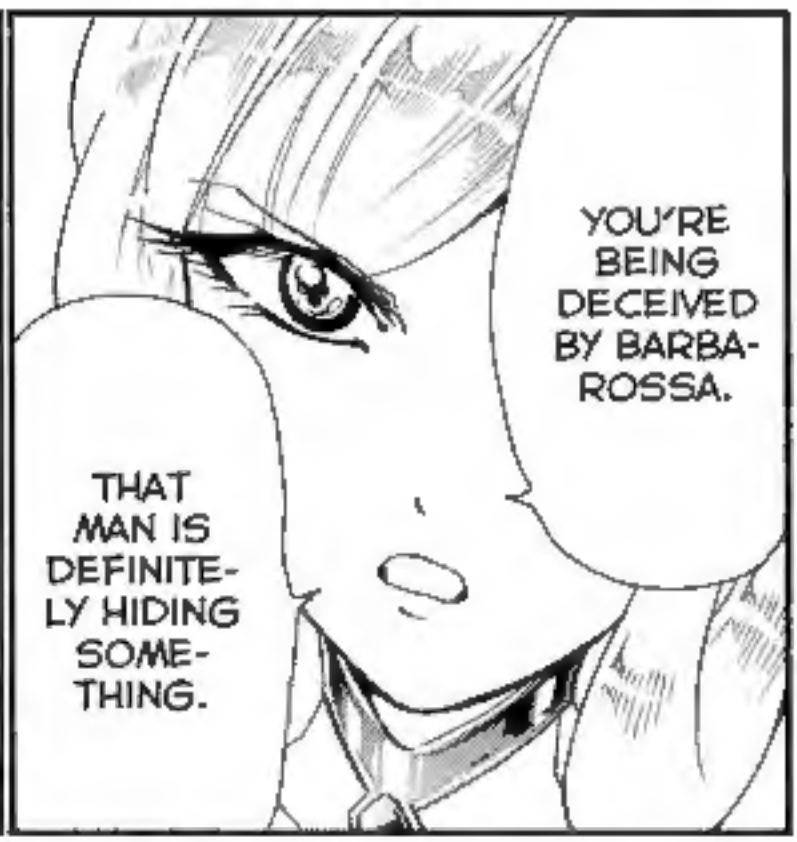
I WON'T!

PLEASE DON'T OVERDO IT, THOUGH.
OKAY.

YOU'RE THERE, AREN'T YOU, CELENDINE?
.....COME IN.
.....YOU KNEW?
AND I KNOW WHY YOU'VE COME TO TALK TO ME.
I KNEW YOU'D HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY ABOUT ALL THIS.

STOP YOUR PLANS TO FOUND A KINGDOM RIGHT NOW.
SO, I'LL PUT IT FRANKLY.
THEN YOU ALREADY KNOW WHAT I'M HERE TO TELL YOU, DON'T YOU?

YOU CAN'T TRUST HIM.


YOU'RE BEING DECEIVED BY BARBA-ROSSA.
THAT MAN IS DEFINITE-LY HIDING SOME-THING.

ENOUGH.
.....YOU SHOULD KNOW THAT. WHAT THAT MAN IS DOING...

IT'S AN OFFICIAL INTER-NATIONAL CONTRACT.
THIS ISN'T JUST A VERBAL PROMISE THIS TIME.
IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU.
I'VE ALREADY MADE MY DECISION.
FOUNDING THIS KINGDOM IS A MATTER THAT'S ALREADY SET IN STONE.
IT'S NOT SOMETHING DECIDED BASED ONLY ON WHAT BARBAROSSA SAYS.
WHAT HAPPENED TO MARRY-ING ME?
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THEN...

WE SAID WE'D TAKE BACK PARTHEVIA TOGETHER. WHAT'S HAPPENED TO THAT AGREEMENT?

THE BLOOD FLOWING THROUGH MY VEINS CAN HELP YOU ACHIEVE ALL OF YOUR GOALS.

I'LL MAKE YOU INTO A FAMOUS REVOLUTIONARY...

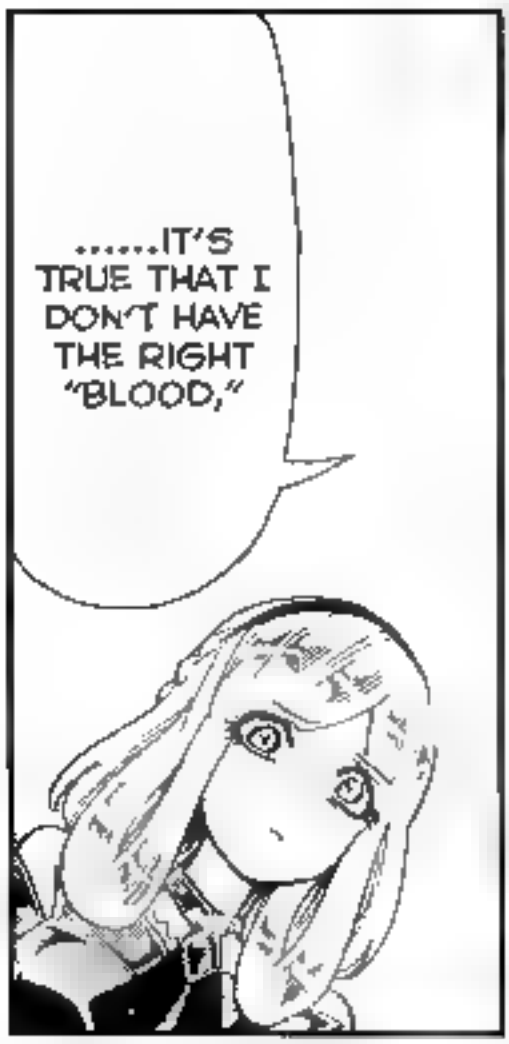
WITHOUT THAT, YOU CAN'T CREATE A LASTING COUNTRY!!

YOU DON'T COME FROM A ROYAL BLOODLINE!!

I THOUGHT YOU UNDERSTOOD ALL THAT WHEN WE WERE IN ZEPAR'S DUNGEON

COULD YOU BE QUIET FOR A MINUTE?

THAT'S WHY I WAS GOING TO LET YOU USE ME...


.....IT'S TRUE THAT I DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT "BLOOD,"

WE HAVE A MOUNTAIN OF WORK TO ACCOMPLISH, SO I CAN'T WORRY ABOUT THAT ANY LONGER
COMPANY EMPLOYEES ARE ALREADY MAKING PRE-PARATIONS TO FOUND OUR K NGDOM.
THAT'S ALL JUST YOUR OPINION, ISN'T IT?

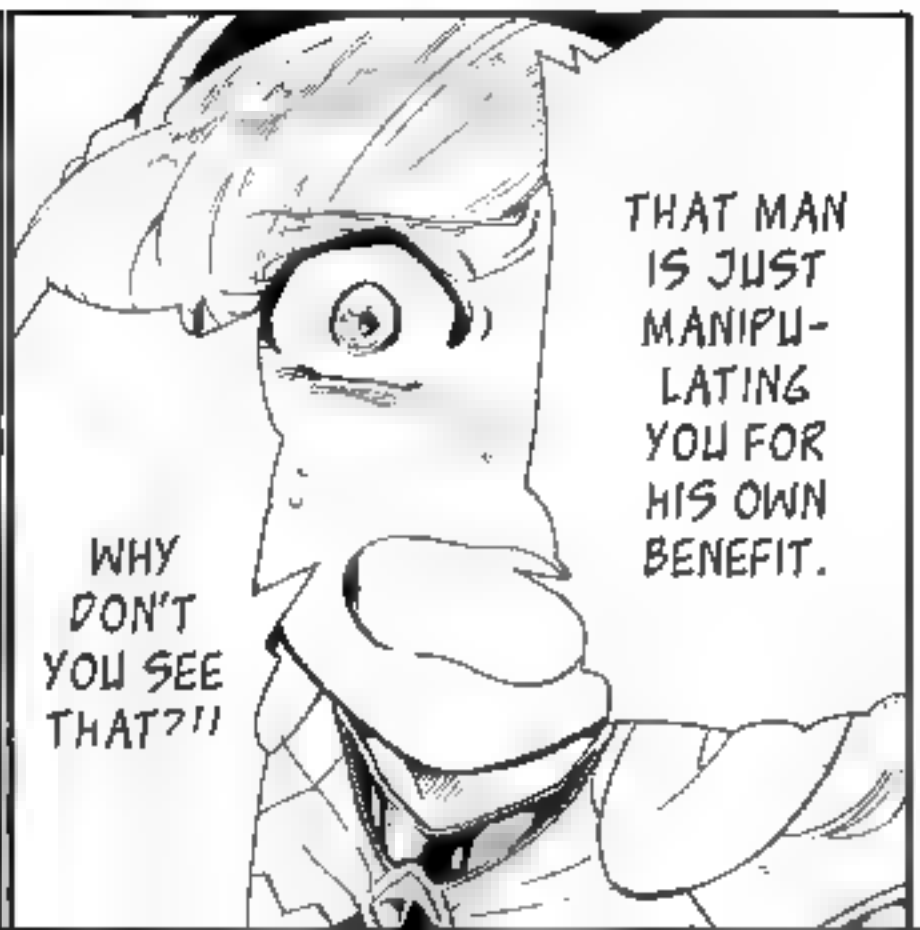
I DON'T NEED ROYAL BLOOD TO CREATE A COUNTRY.

IN FACT, IT'S BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT ROYALTY THAT I REALIZED YOU CAN CREATE A GOVERNMENT BY THE PEOPLE AND FOR THE PEOPLE.
BUT BARBA-ROSSA AND HIS PARTY TAUGHT ME THAT IT'S POSSIBLE TO LEAD A COUNTRY EVEN IF YOU'RE NOT ROYALTY.

SO PLEASE DON'T GET IN MY WAY.
I'M MAKING MY WORLD A REALITY NOW.

THAT'S JUST WHAT HE WANTS YOU TO DO!!
YOU CAN'T, SINBAD!!

OPEN YOUR EYES, SINBAD!
SINBAD !!!


THAT MAN IS JUST MANIPU-LATING YOU FOR HIS OWN BENEFIT.
WHY DON'T YOU SEE THAT?!!

SHUT UP!!

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NOT BECAUSE I WAS TOLD TO DO SO BY ANYONE ELSE!!

THIS IS SOMETHING I'VE THOUGHT ABOUT AND CHOSEN MYSELF!!

I'VE MADE MY DECISION ...

IF IT'S SO IMPORTANT TO YOU, DO IT YOURSELF.

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NOT TO TAKE BACK PARTHEVIA.
MY GOAL IS TO CORRECT THE IN-JUSTICE IN THIS WORLD.

IF YOU'RE OUT FOR REVENGE, TAKE CARE OF IT YOUR-SELF.
I HAVE TO KEEP MOVING FORWARD.

.....IT'S TOO LATE...
I'LL USE THIS POWER TO TAKE BACK MY COUNTRY.
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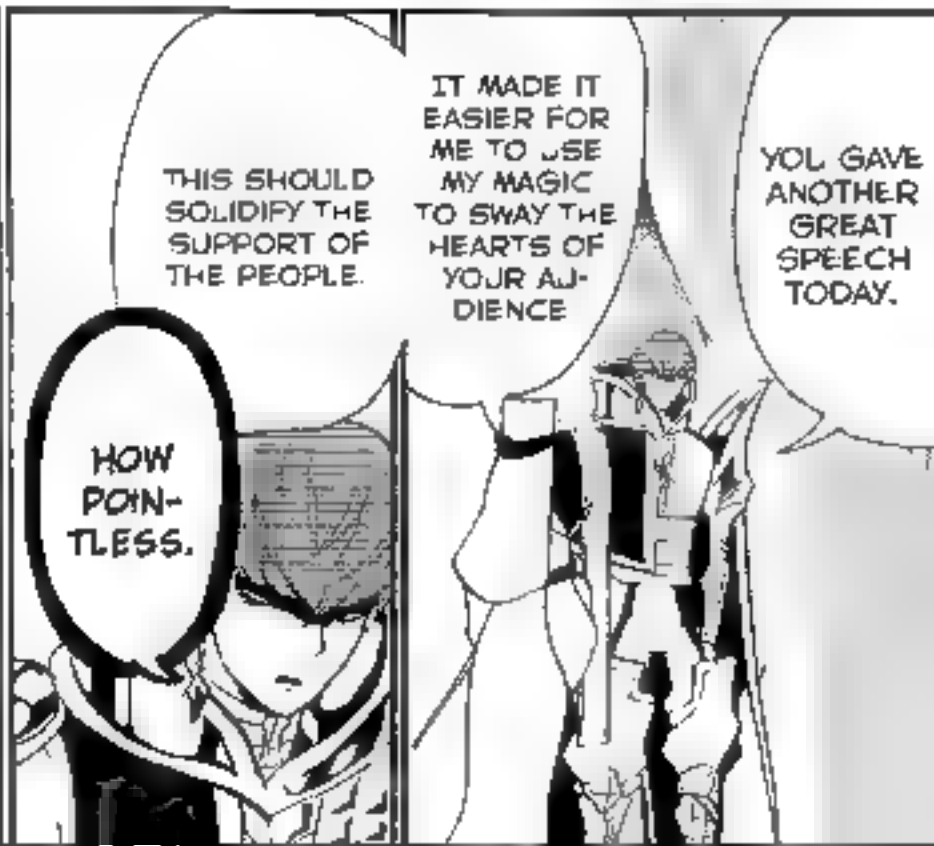
THIS IS WHY
THIS IS MY MISSION AND MY
MENT...
AND, EVEN IF IT TAKES EVERYTHING I HAVE, I'LL MAKE
REVOLUTIONARY

MEANWHILE, A FEW DAYS EARLIER...
Celebration Hall
Parthevia

NIGHT 137: PARTHEVIA'S MAGICIAN

YES, SIR.
THAT'S ENOUGH, FALAN

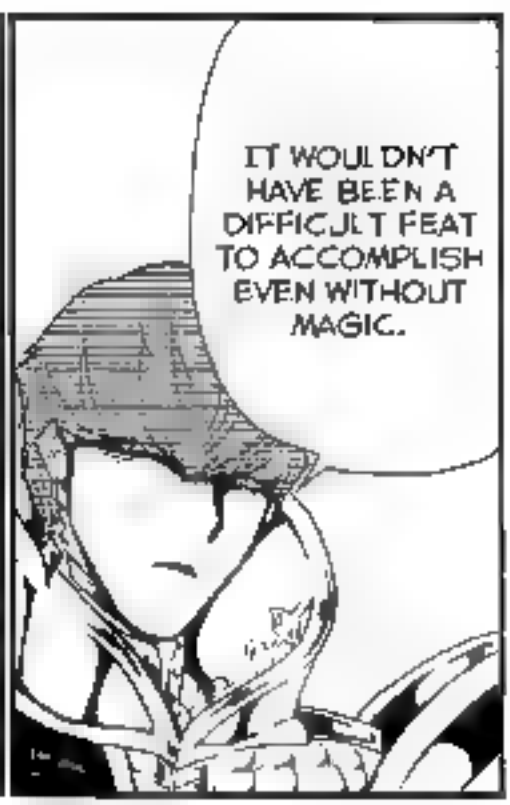
HUMANS ARE SUCH SIMPLE CREATURES.


HOW POIN-TLESS.
THIS SHOULD SOLIDIFY THE SUPPORT OF THE PEOPLE.
IT MADE IT EASIER FOR ME TO USE MY MAGIC TO SWAY THE HEARTS OF YOUR AU-DIENCE
YOU GAVE ANOTHER GREAT SPEECH TODAY.

WHAT PITIFUL, FOOLISH CREATURES.

THEY'VE PUT ALL THEIR FAITH IN WHAT THEY THINK IS BEST FOR THEM...

THEY TRULY BELIEVE I'M THE IDEAL STATESMAN JUST BECAUSE I PLAY THE PART.



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IF THE CHIEF SAID THAT TO YOU, YOU'RE THROUGH.

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THE FOUR HEAVENLY GENERALS.

THAT'S LORD ROTTER TO YOU. REMEMBER THAT, MAGICIAN.

LISTEN UP. THE ONLY REASON THE CHIEF WOULD STOOP TO USING A LOWLY MAGICIAN LIKE YOU

IS BECAUSE OF YOUR MAGIC AND KNOWLEDGE OF DUNGEON CREATURES.

Like how you enhanced our bodies for us.

WE KNOW THAT YOU AND THAT ORGANIZATION YOU BELONG TO ARE UP TO SOMETHING.

FALAN ...

IF IT WASN'T FOR THAT, THERE'D BE NO REASON FOR HIM TO KEEP SOMEONE AS SHADY AS YOU AROUND.

.....DON'T GET IN HIS MAJESTY'S WAY.

WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS, ARBA?!!

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IT'D BE A PROBLEM IF I LET YOU CAST THAT SORT OF MAGIC ON MY EMPEROR HAKUTOKU.

WELL, OF COURSE I DID.

YOU... YOU MADE IT SO THAT MY MAGIC HAD NO EFFECT, DIDN'T YOU?!

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AH... BUT I REALLY AM DISAPPOINTED.

TCH...!! BECAUSE OF YOU, I HAD TO ..

BUT ARE YOU REALLY SATISFIED WITH HIM?

IT'S TRUE THAT HIS ABILITIES ARE FAR ABOVE AVERAGE,

YOUR KING HIS NAME WAS BARBAROSSA, WASN'T IT?

HUH?

WILL BE QUICKER TO WELCOME OUR FATHER'S RETURN.

IT SEEMS LIKE MY KOU EMPIRE

I'M NOT SURE IF HE'S REALLY SUITABLE FOR CREATING A DARK SPOT.

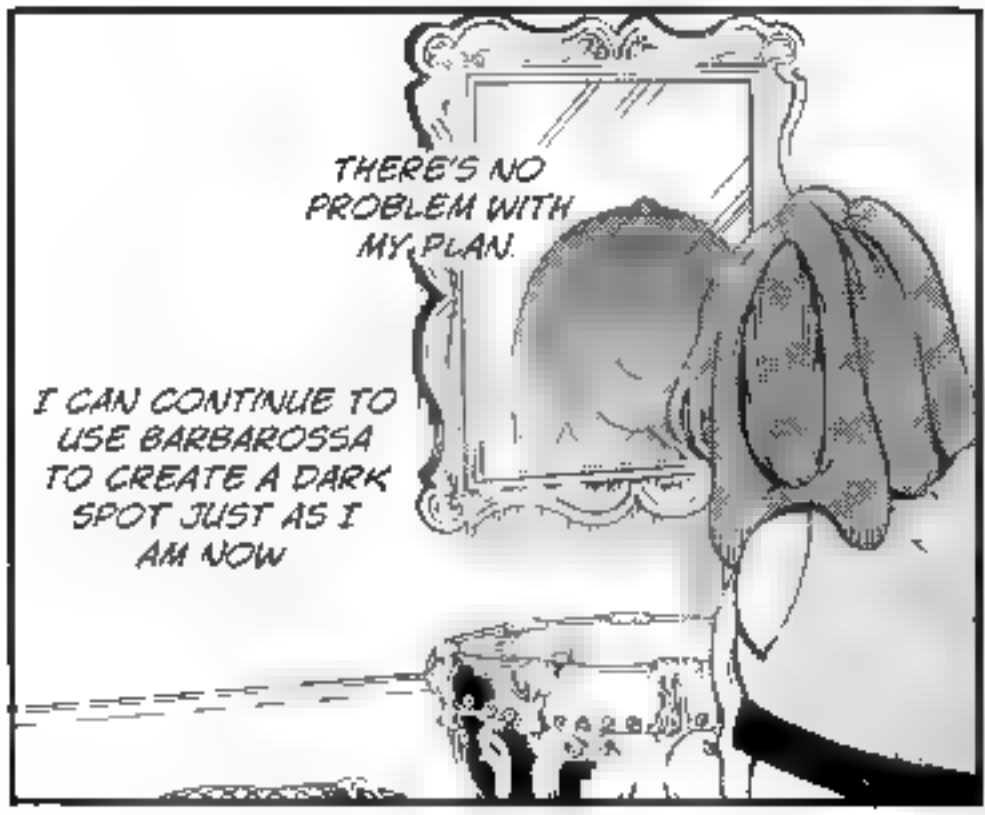
WHA...

OHO HOHO HO!

DAMN YOU ARBA

FALAN.

GOOD LUCK,


THERE'S NO PROBLEM WITH MY PLAN.
I CAN CONTINUE TO USE BARBAROSSA TO CREATE A DARK SPOT JUST AS I AM NOW

CALM DOWN THAT'S JUST THE USUAL NONSENSE THAT WOMAN SPOUTS.

WHAT WILL I DO?
... BUT IF IT REALLY TURNS OUT THAT HE'S NOT A SUITABLE VESSEL...

KING CEYLAN, HOW ARE YOU FEELING?
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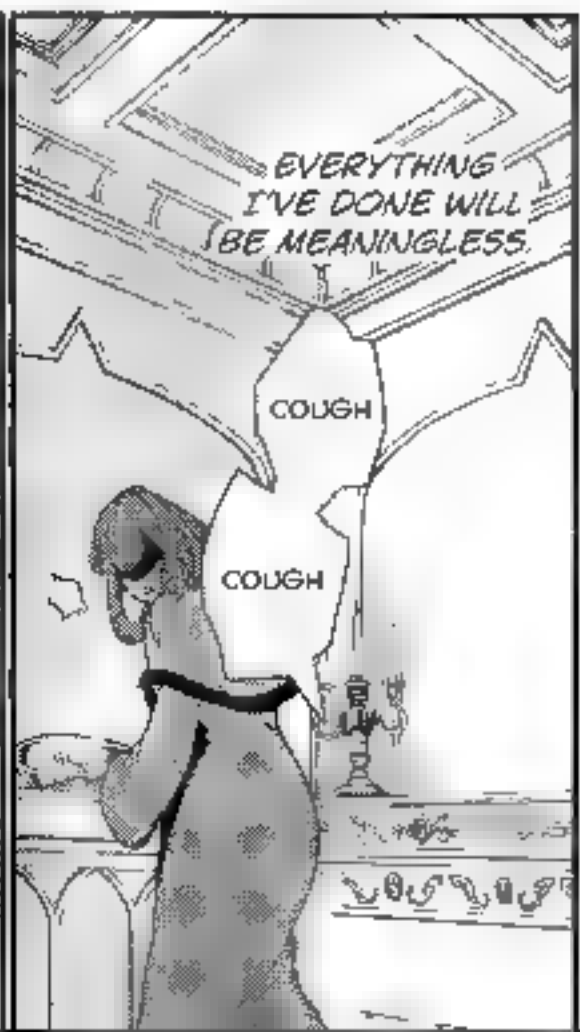

EVERYTHING I'VE DONE WILL BE MEANINGLESS.
COUGH
COUGH

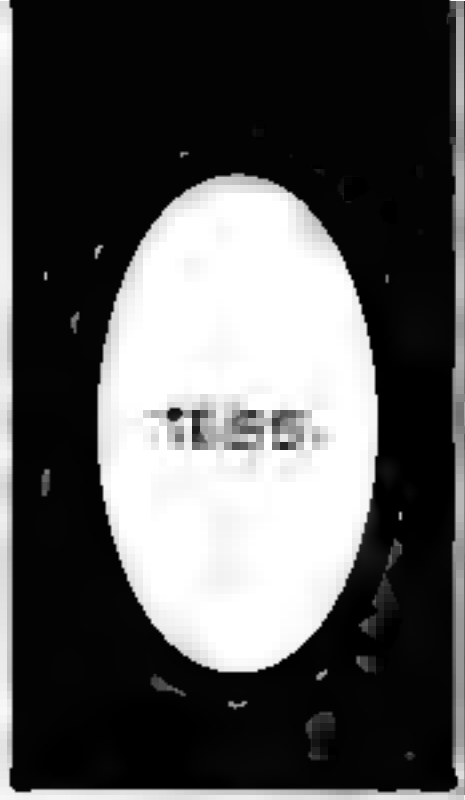
IF .. ANYONE ELSE LEAVES ME...
I'LL BE SO LONE-LY.

FALAN... DON'T GO.

EVERYONE .. IS GONE NOW...
SISTER
FATHER ...

TESS!! WHY WON'T YOU LISTEN TO ANYTHING I TELL YOU TODAY, ARUP!
I DON'T WANT YOU TO GO, MAMA!!

I DON'T WANT YOU TO GO ..


TISS.

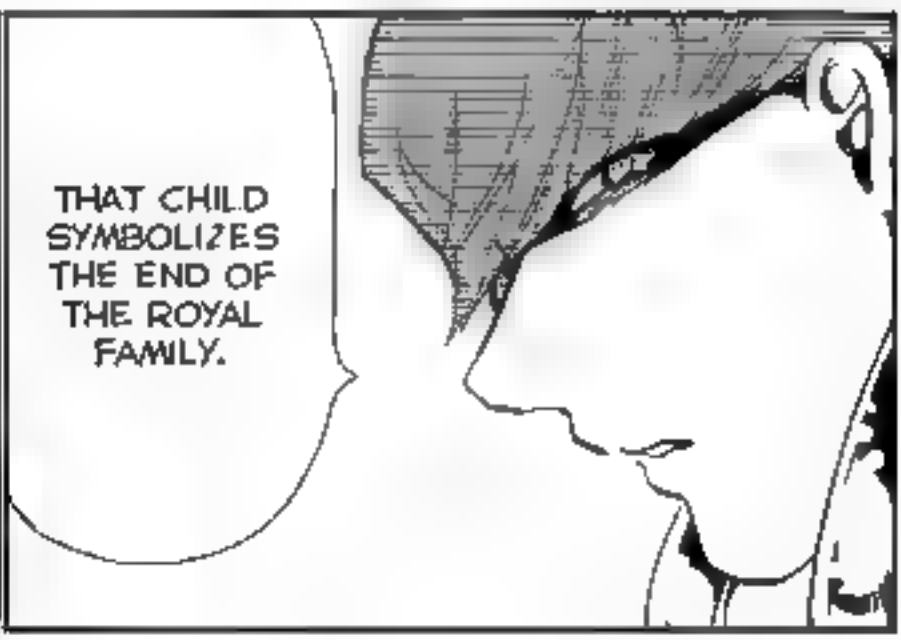
MY MISSION IS TO CREATE A DARK SPOT I'LL DO WHATEVER IT TAKES TO DO SO...

...THAT'S RIGHT. I'M NOT MISTAKEN.

DON'T GET ATTACHED TO KING CEYLAN.

FALAN ...
YES?

THAT'S HIS ONLY PURPOSE.
HE'LL BE KILLED IF NECES-SARY.


THAT CHILD SYMBOLIZES THE END OF THE ROYAL FAMILY.

I'LL LOOK FOR ANOTHER KING VESSEL.

.....YES, I UNDERSTAND.

UNDERSTAND?

IT WILL BE TROUBLESOME IF YOU START TO DEVELOP UNNECESSARY FEELINGS.

THE ONE I CONFRONTED IN JALEFOR'S DUNGEON, SINBAD

THE YOUNG MAN WITH VAST AMOUNTS OF MAGOI WHO SEEMED LIKE HE COULD ALMOST SEE DESTINY ITSELF...

I HAVE AN IDEA...

SO SHE HASN'T REALIZED THE POTENTIAL THAT MAN HAS FOR BRINGING FORTH A DARK SPOT

ARBA HAS HER SIGHTS SET ON A SINGLE COUNTRY

AND IT SEEMS I WAS RIGHT

I THOUGHT HE MIGHT BE USEFUL, SO I SENT JUDAR TO KEEP AN EYE ON HIM.

NOTHING'S CHANGED OVER HERE.

NOT THE SITUATION. THE KING VESSEL.

WHAT DO YOU WANT, HAG?

JUDAR

HOW ARE THINGS GOING?

YEAH...

DEVE-LOPING FAVOR-ABLY?

IS THE KING VESSEL ...

MY KING VESSEL IS TURNING OUT QUITE WELL.

IF SOMETHING IS LACKING, I SHOULD FIND SOMETHING BETTER.

A BETTER VESSEL TO CREATE A DARK SPOT...

HOW CONVE-NIENT.

..... I SEE.

THAT'S RIGHT. IT'S STARTING TO GET PRETTY INTERESTING AROUND HERE...

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Kingdom of Balbadd

...EXCUSE ME. WHERE MIGHT I FIND SINDRIA TRADING COMPANY?

THERE'S A RUMOR GOING AROUND THAT THEY'RE TURNING THAT COMPANY INTO ITS OWN COUNTRY. IF YOU'RE LOOKING TO BECOME A PATRON, NOW'S YOUR CHANCE.

ARE YOU A MERCHANT TOO?
IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR SINDRIA TRADING COMPANY, YOU NEED TO TAKE A RIGHT TURN JUST AHEAD, AND THERE IT IS.

WHERE ARE YOU FROM?
BY THE WAY, YOU LOOK LIKE YOU'RE NOT FROM AROUND HERE.

.....FAR, FAR AWAY...

A PLACE NO ONE'S HEARD OF...

NIGHT 138: AN UNEXPECTED VISIT

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IT WOULD BE THAT IT SEEMED LIKE SOMETHING MUST HAVE HAPPENED BETWEEN SIN AND MISS CELENDINE.

BUT WE'VE ONLY GOTTEN HERE BECAUSE WE ALL FOLLOWED SIN...
IT'S NATURAL SHE'D RESIST.
IT'S JUST AS I EXPECTED.
SINDRIA TRADING COMPANY'S AFFILIATION WITH PARTHEVIA MUST GO AGAINST EVERYTHING SHE WANTED.

I'M SORRY... BUT WE HAVE A GUEST.

WHAT'S GOING ON, VITTEL?

JUST HOW ARE WE GOING TO MAKE THE CREATION OF OUR COUNTRY... SUCCEED?

SINBAD! JA'FAR!

IT'S NOT JUST ANY ORDINARY GUEST!!

AGAIN...? CAN'T YOU HANDLE THE VISITORS RIGHT NOW?

I'M ...

IT'S THAT ROYAL MAGICIAN... FROM PARTHEVIA.

FALAN ...

THE MAGICIAN FALAN! WHY IS SHE HERE

SO WHY WOULD SHE COME ALL THE WAY

ACCORDING TO WHAT SIN SAID, SHE SHOULD STILL BE IN THE PARTHEVIAN ROYAL PALACE,

THANK YOU FOR WAITING.

WE'VE GOT NO CHOICE BUT TO MEET HER AND SEE.

EX... EXCUSE ME! IT SEEMS LIKE WE HAVE THE WRONG ROOM...

IT'S NOT... FALAN?

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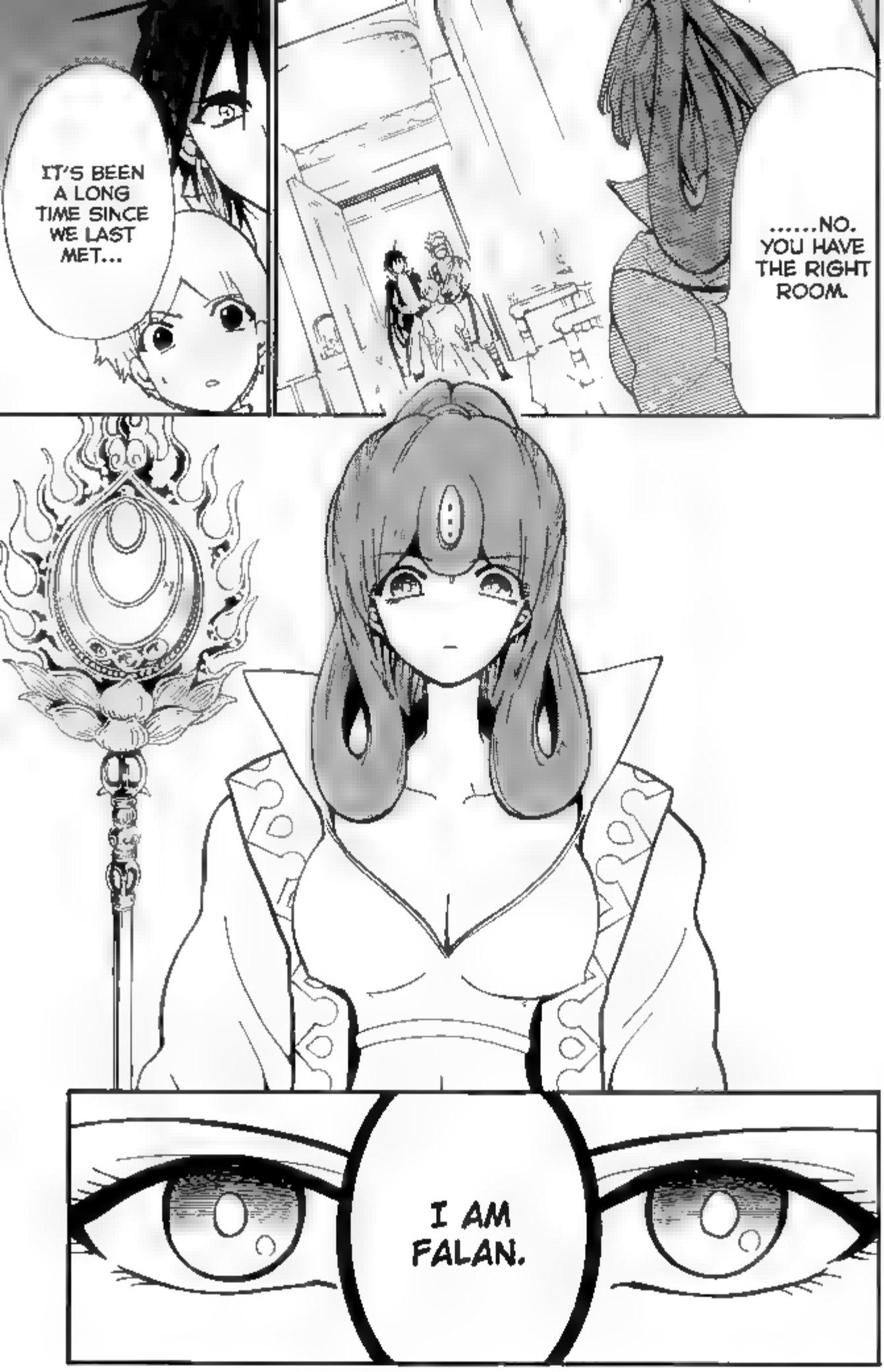
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE WE LAST MET...
.....NO. YOU HAVE THE RIGHT ROOM.
I AM FALAN.

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME YOU'VE SEEN ME LIKE THIS, ISN'T IT?

.....
SOME-THING WRONG?

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THAT'S THE LOOK I ASSUME AS THE ROYAL MAGICIAN. THIS IS HOW I REALLY LOOK.

NO. IT'S JUST THAT YOU GAVE OFF QUITE A DIFFERENT IMPRESSION BEFORE...

SHE'S COMPLETELY DIFFERENT FROM WHEN WE FACED HER BEFORE.
ESPE-CIALLY...

THIS IS... FALAN.
YEAH, THERE'S NO MISTAKE THIS SHOULD BE THE SAME MAGICIAN WE FOUGHT IN JALEFOR'S DUNGEON, BUT...

.....WELL, IT HAS BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE I'VE LOOKED LIKE THIS.

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DOES BARBA-ROSSA KNOW ABOUT THIS?

SO? YOU SHOULD BE IN PARTHEVIA. WHY ARE YOU HERE?

I CAME HERE SECRETLY... EVEN LORD BARBAROSSA DOESN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT IT.

NO. THIS ISN'T OFFI-CIAL BUSI-NESS. I'M HERE FOR PERSONAL REASONS.

WHY WOULD YOU COME HERE ON YOUR OWN?

HOWEVER, THERE ARE STILL SOME HERE THAT HOLD A GRUDGE AGAINST YOU.

WE'D BE WILLING TO WELCOME YOU EVEN THOUGH WE WERE FORMER ENEMIES...

NOW THAT WE'RE ALLIED WITH PAR-THEVIA,

SO, NO MATTER WHAT I SAY, THERE'S NO GUARANTEE THAT YOU'LL BELIEVE ME. ...BUT I STILL WANT TO TRY.
BUT I KNOW THAT YOU HAVE NO REASON TO TRUST ME.
...I CAME HERE TO TELL YOU SOME-THING.
DESTINY.
SINBAD, JUST WHAT
DO YOU THINK "DESTINY" IS?

...TINY

DES...

I'LL ANSWER HER QUES-TION.
SHE CAME HERE ALONE AND SHOWED US HER TRUE FACE JUST SO SHE COULD TALK TO US.

LET IT GO, JA'FAR.
.....WAIT A MINUTE, YOU HAVEN'T ANSWERED OUR QUES-TIONS...

WE'RE GUIDED BY OUR DESTINY, WHICH INFLUENCES OUR ACTIONS AND LEADS US ALL FORWARDS.
EVERY PERSON HAS A GOAL TO ACCOMPLISH IN LIFE, AND WE'RE ALL LOOKING FOR THE RIGHT PATH TO LEAD US TO THE FUTURE...

WELL... I THINK OF DESTINY AS A GUIDE TO THE FUTURE.

IT'S A NATURAL CYCLE THAT CREATES THE FUTURE.THAT'S HOW I SEE DESTINY,

A GUIDE TO THE FUTURE THAT WE SHOULD BELIEVE IN.

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I SEE.

EVEN SOMEONE AS SPECIAL AS YOU.....

THINKS THAT HE STILL HAS TO FOLLOW HIS DESTINY.

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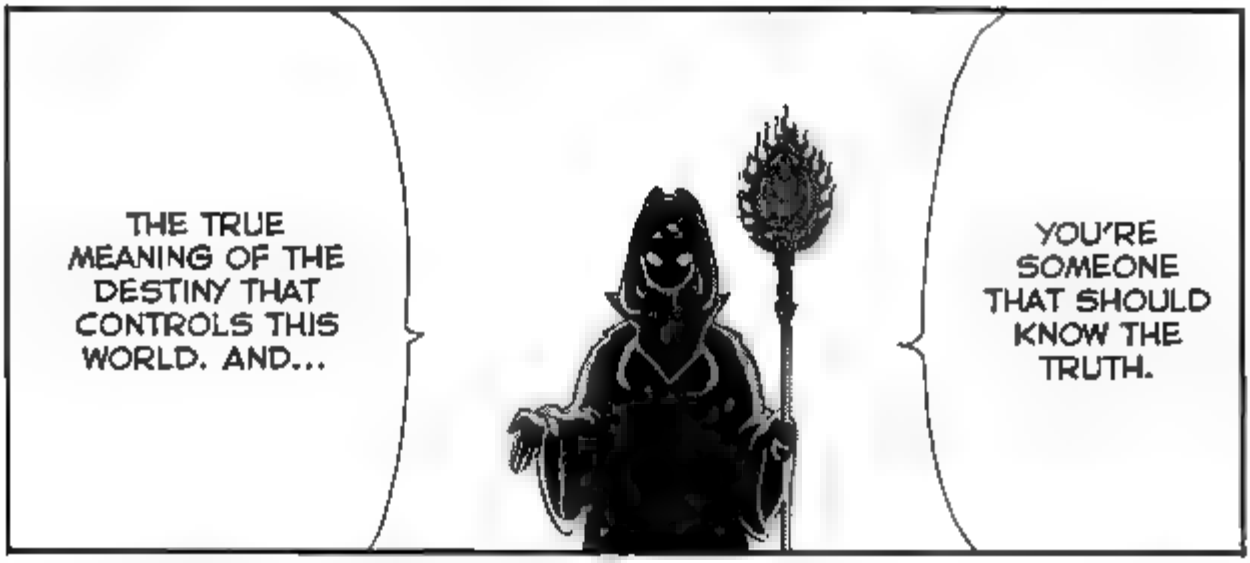
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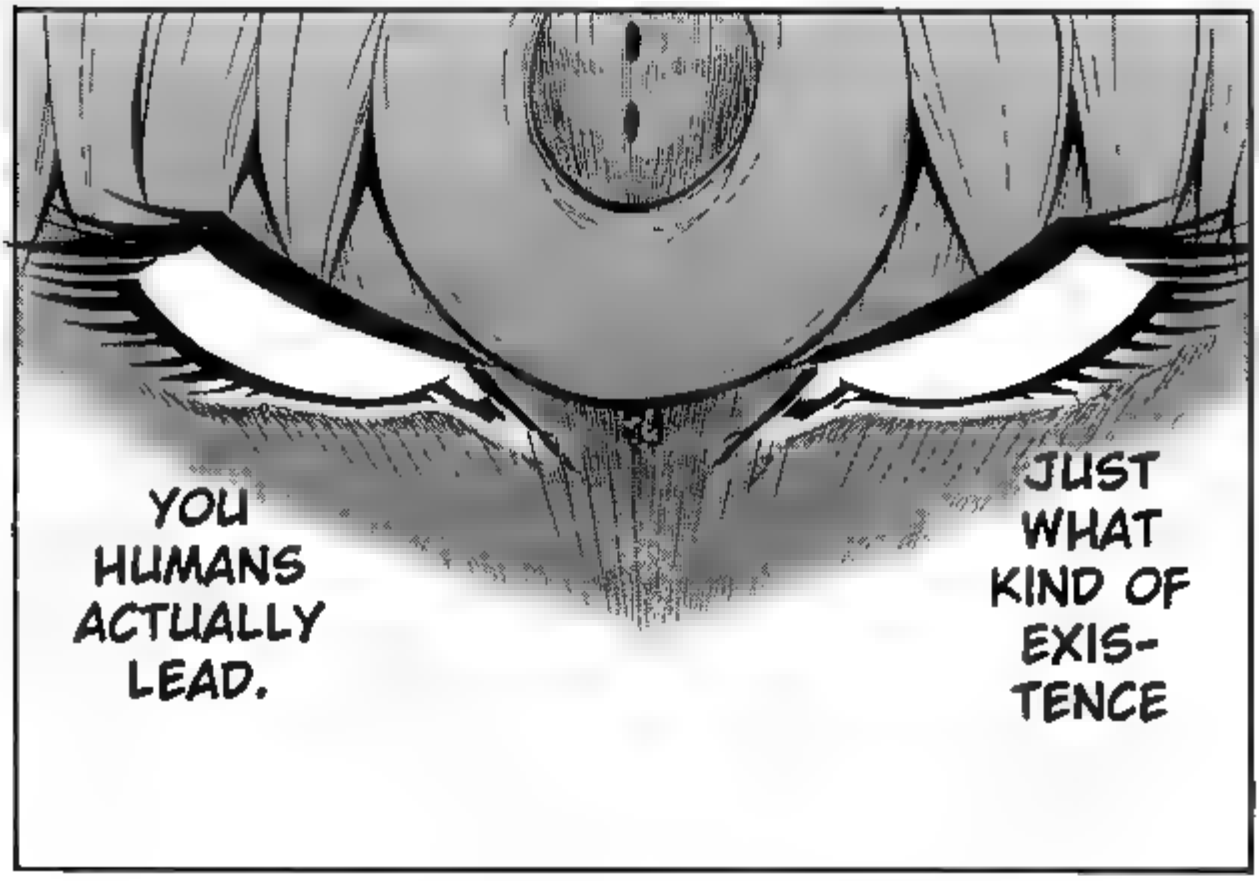
YOU'RE SOMEONE THAT SHOULD KNOW THE TRUTH.


YOU HUMANS ACTUALLY LEAD.
JUST WHAT KIND OF EXIS-TENCE

THE TRUE MEANING OF THE "DESTINY" THAT CONTROLS THIS WORLD... AND...
YOU'RE SOMEONE THAT SHOULD KNOW THE TRUTH.
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JUST WHAT KIND OF EXISTENCE YOU HUMANS ACTUALLY HAVE.
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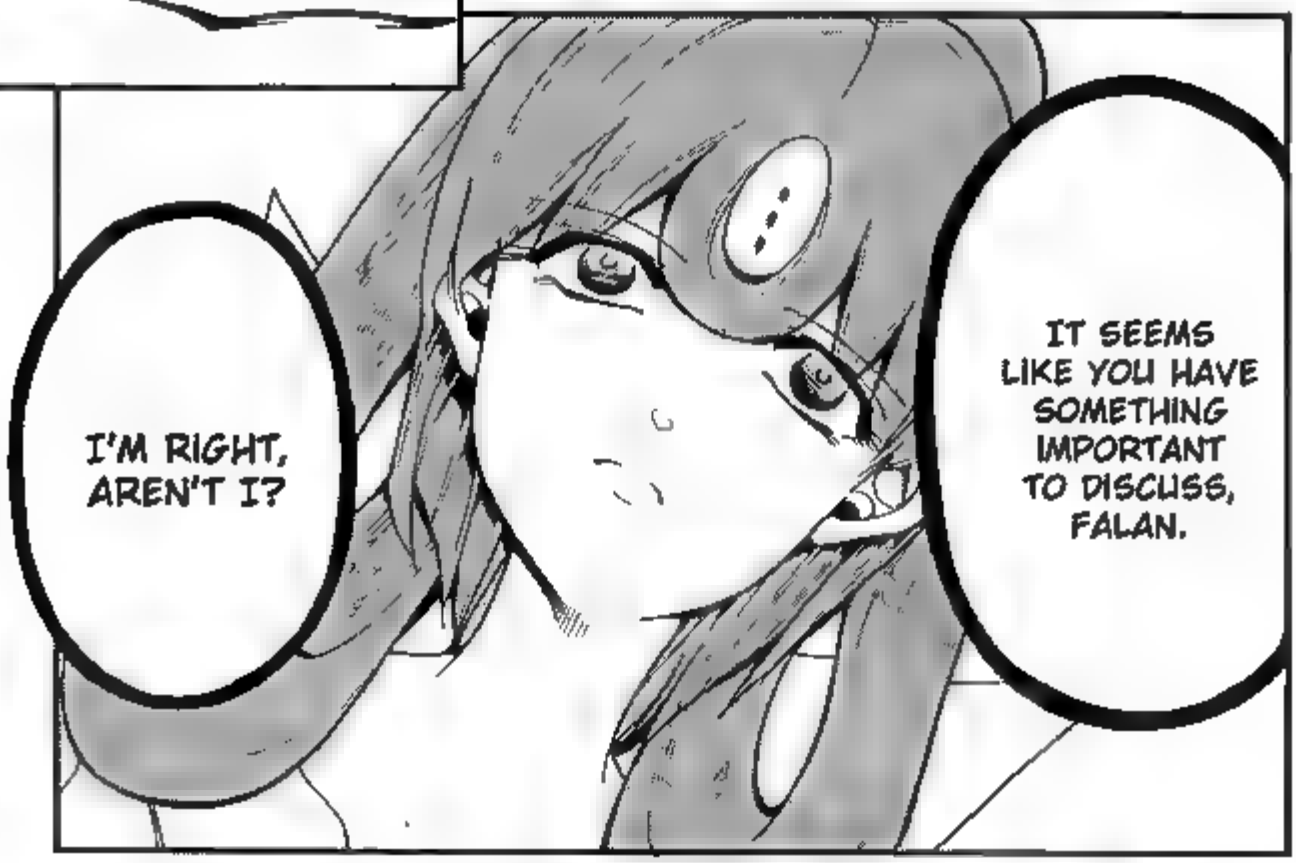
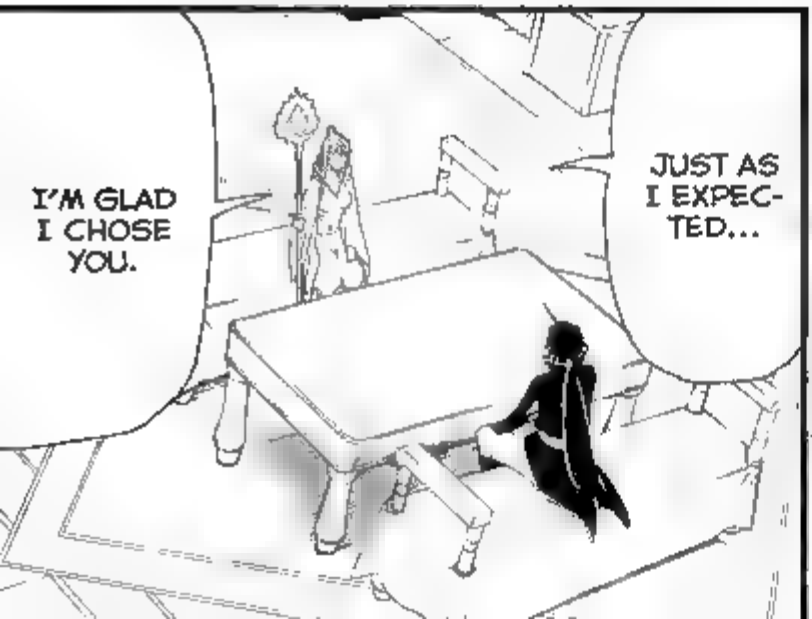
JA'FAR...
IS IT REALLY OKAY TO LEAVE THE TWO OF THEM ALONE ...?

SIN SAID IT WAS FINE. WE JUST HAVE TO BELIEVE HIM.
.....
...I'M SORRY YOU HAD TO MAKE EVERY-ONE LEAVE.
WHAT I HAVE TO TELL YOU ISN'T SOMETHING THAT JUST ANYONE CAN UNDERSTAND. THAT'S WHY I WANTED TO BE ABLE TO SPEAK WITH YOU ALONE.
BUT, YOU DID ME A HUGE FAVOR.....

DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.
IT SEEMED LIKE YOU HAD SOMETHING TO TELL ME THAT YOU DIDN'T WANT EVERYONE TO HEAR, SO I ASKED THEM TO LEAVE.
BESIDES,


IT SEEMS LIKE YOU HAVE SOMETHING IMPORTANT TO DISCUSS, FALAN.
I'M RIGHT, AREN'T I?


JUST AS I EXPECTED...
I'M GLAD I CHOSE YOU.

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I'VE ADMIRED YOU SINCE THAT TIME WE CROSSED PATHS IN VALEFOR'S DUNGEON.
JUST WHAT I SAID.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
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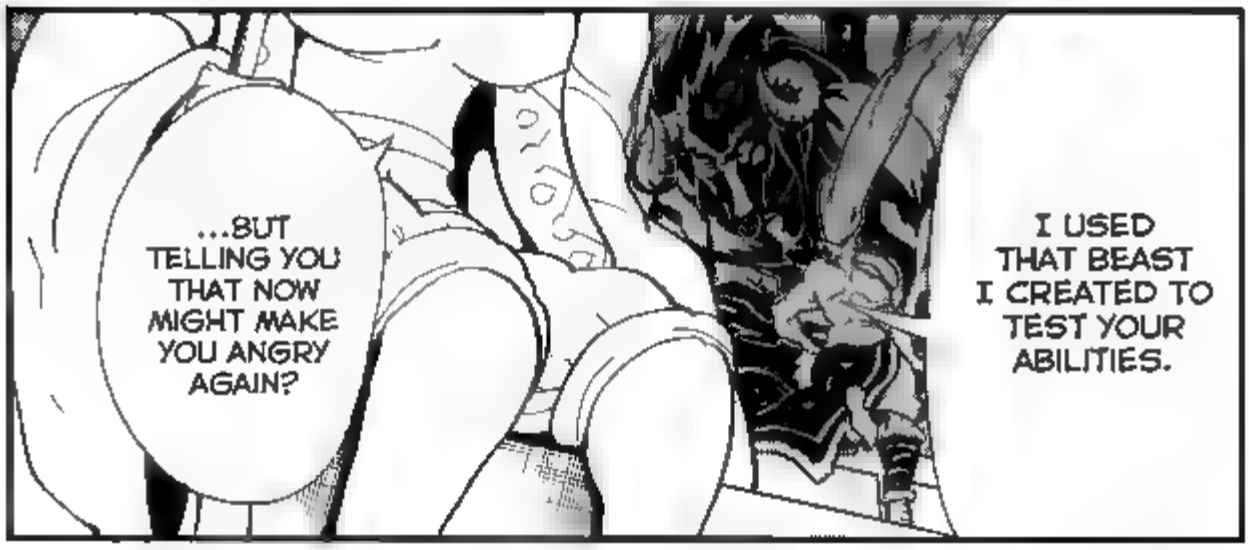
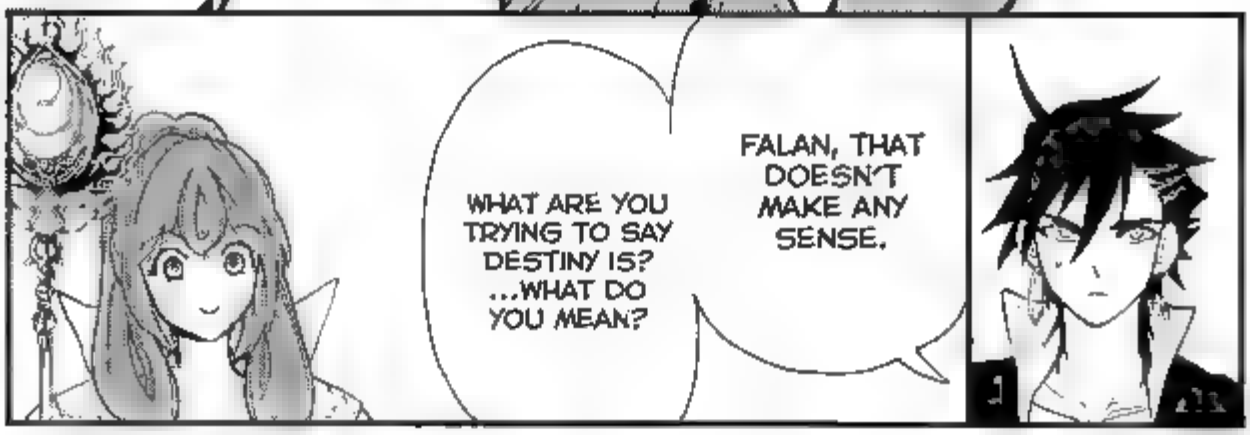

...BUT TELLING YOU THAT NOW MIGHT MAKE YOU ANGRY AGAIN?
I USED THAT BEAST I CREATED TO TEST YOUR ABILITIES.

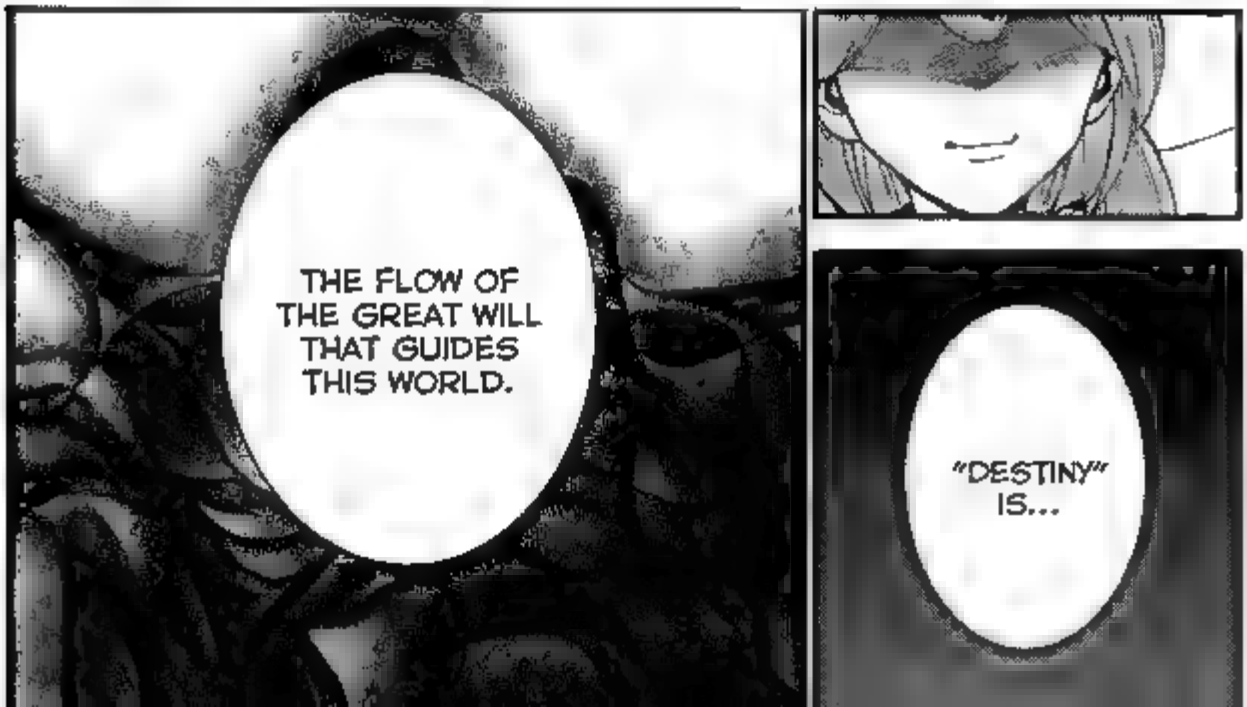
SO,
ARE YOU GOING TO TELL ME WHAT YOU'VE CHOSEN ME FOR?

I'M NOT GOING TO LET THAT BOTHER ME AFTER ALL THIS TIME.
NO.

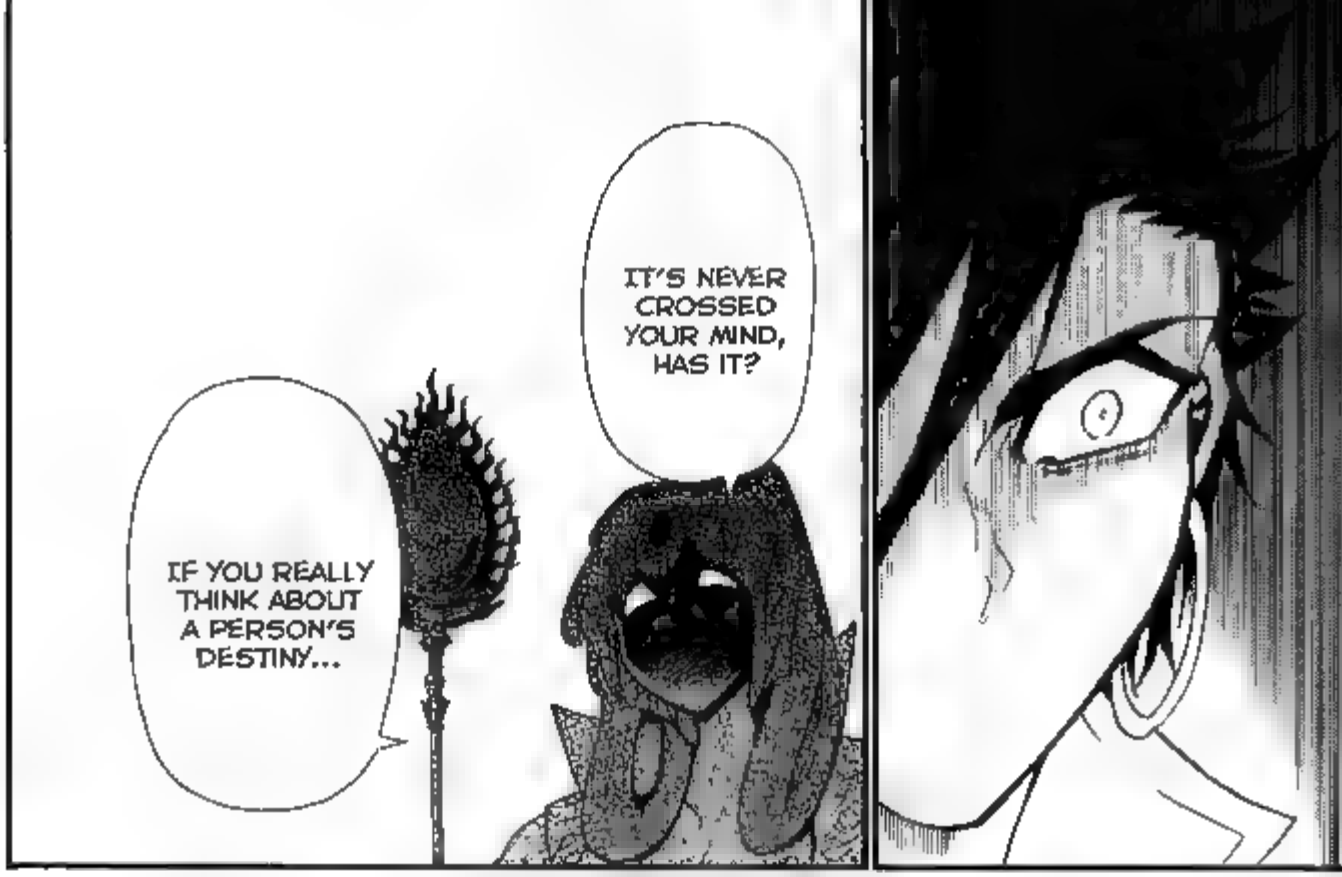
I'VE CHOSEN YOU AS THE ONE WHO WILL RECEIVE THE KEY THAT WILL FREE US FROM THE BONDS OF DESTINY.

YES.





THAT MEANS WE CAN'T GO AGAINST THE SYSTEM ESTABLISHED IN THIS WORLD.
EVERYTHING PEOPLE THINK, FEEL, CREATE...
IN THIS WORLD, THERE IS AN INEVITABLE "FLOW" THAT GUIDES EVERY-THING.
WE SEE ALL OF THAT AS SOMETHING THAT HAPPENS ACCORDING TO OUR OWN, INDIVIDUAL WILLS, BUT...
WAS SOMETHING CREATED AND DICTATED BY SOMEONE?
WHAT IF THAT FLOW
BUT WHAT IF...
WE'RE ONLY EXISTING WITHIN THAT "FLOW" OF DESTINY.


IT'S NEVER CROSSED YOUR MIND, HAS IT?
IF YOU REALLY THINK ABOUT A PERSON'S DESTINY...

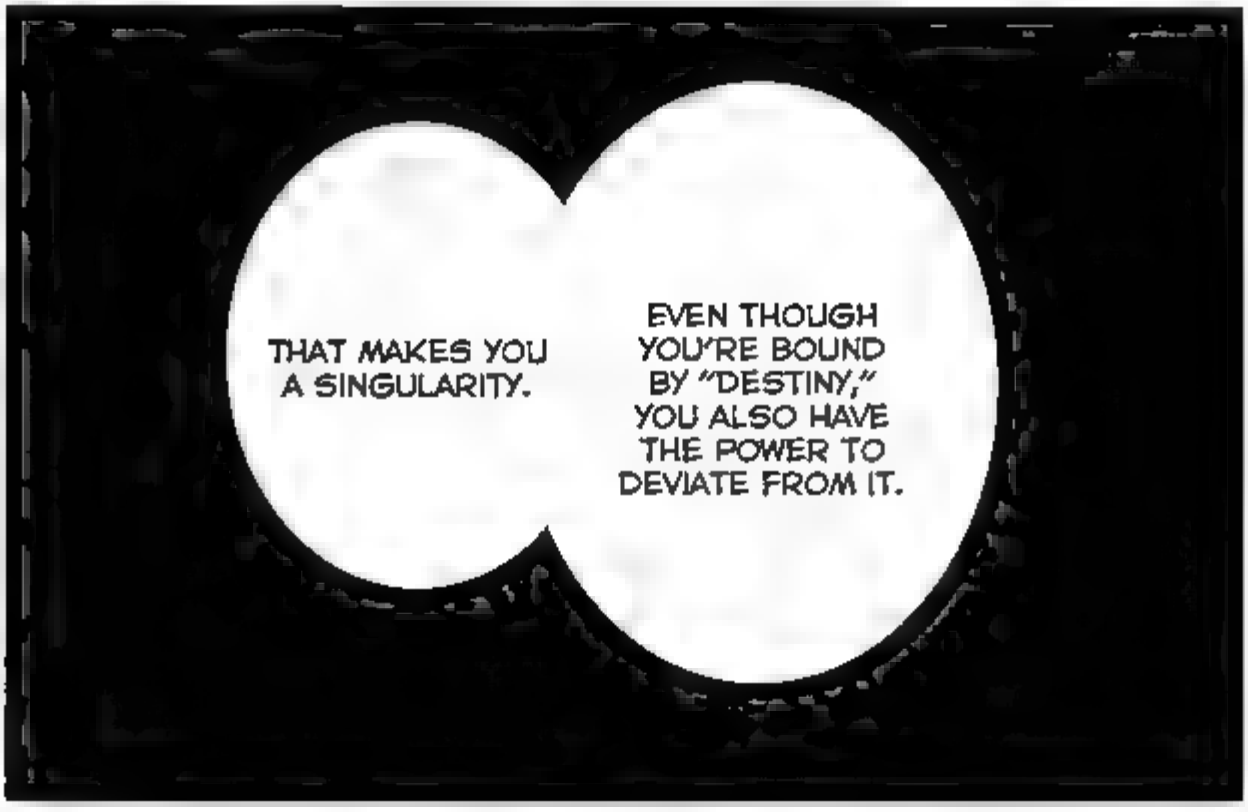
WHAT IF IT WAS ALL BECAUSE PEOPLE HAVE BEEN LIVING FALSE LIVES
BASED ON THE "RULES" THAT WERE CREATED WITHIN THAT SYSTEM?!

WHY MUST PEOPLE GRIEVE AND CRY OUT IN AGONY?
WHY WERE WE BORN?
WHY DO OUR LOVED ONES DIE?
WHY,
WHY, WHY?!

"DESTINY" IS NOTHING MORE THAN A PRISON.
IT WAS CREATED BY SOMEONE.
IT IS CONTROLLED BY SOMEONE.
DESPITE ALL THAT, ARE YOU STILL GOING TO INSIST THAT WE SHOULD BELIEVE IN DESTINY?

OUR JOY, OUR SUFFERING,
I CAN'T ACCEPT A LIFE THAT WAS DECIDED FOR ME.
EVEN OUR DEATHS ARE ALL DICTATED BY "DESTINY." A WORLD LIKE THAT...
IS SOME-THING
I WILL NEVER ALLOW.

AND YOU CAN EVEN FEEL "DESTINY." YOU'RE SOMEONE SPECIAL!!
YOU WERE BORN WITH A VAST AMOUNT OF MAGOI AT YOUR DISPOSAL,
BUT, SIN-BAD.....
YOU'RE DIFFERENT!


THAT MAKES YOU A SINGULARITY.
EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE BOUND BY "DESTINY," YOU ALSO HAVE THE POWER TO DEVIATE FROM IT.

LIES WITHIN YOU.

THE POS-SIBILITY OF FREEING THIS WORLD FROM THE BONDS OF DESTINY

DON'T YOU WANT TO ESCAPE THE BONDS OF DESTINY AND GRASP TRUE FREEDOM?!

ARE YOU GOING TO CONTINUE TO LIVE A LIFE BOUND BY DESTINY?!

FOR A SIN-GULARITY LIKE YOU!!

THAT'S POSSIBLE FOR SOME-ONE LIKE YOU.

IN FACT, IT ALL SOUNDS LIKE THE RANTING OF A MADMAN.

IT'S HONESTLY DIFFICULT TO UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE TELLING ME.

COULD YOU WAIT JUST A MINUTE?

YOUR STORY IS STRANGE, SO I'VE LISTENED CAREFULLY TO ALL YOU'VE SAID.

HOWEVER, IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE YOU'RE LYING TO ME.....

WHO ARE YOU REALLY?

HOW DO YOU KNOW THESE THINGS?

YOU'RE NOT JUST SOME ORDINARY MAGICIAN, ARE YOU?

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I, ZEPAR, WILL ACCEPT YOU AS MY KING VESSEL!
EXTRA COMIC: SPIRITS VOLUME 2
I WONDER WHY DOING MY DUTY AS A SPIRIT ALWAYS SEEMS TO PUT ME AT A DISADVANTAGE.
SIGH... I'VE SURE MADE THEM HATE ME THIS TIME,
OH, WELL. I'M HOME ...
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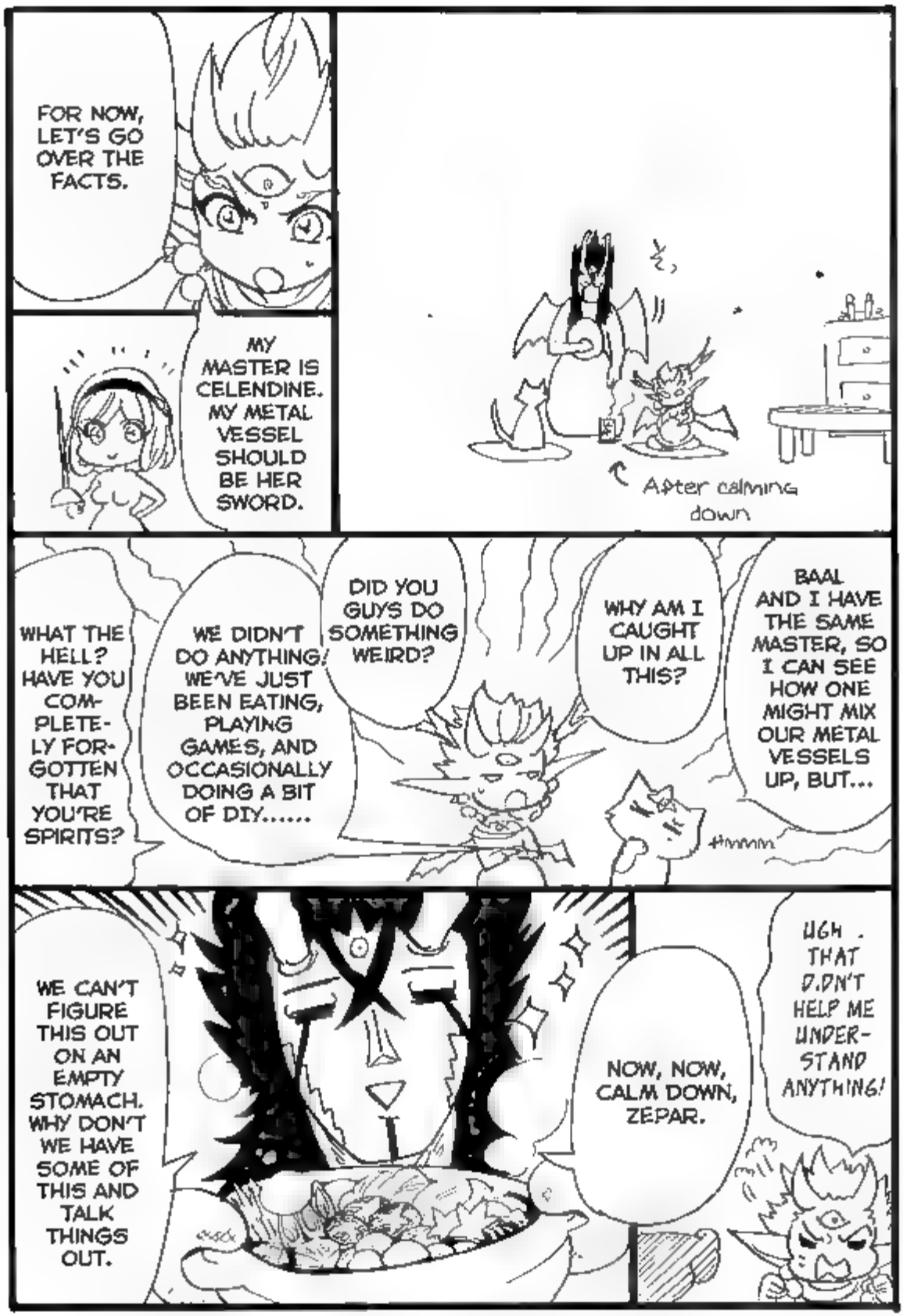
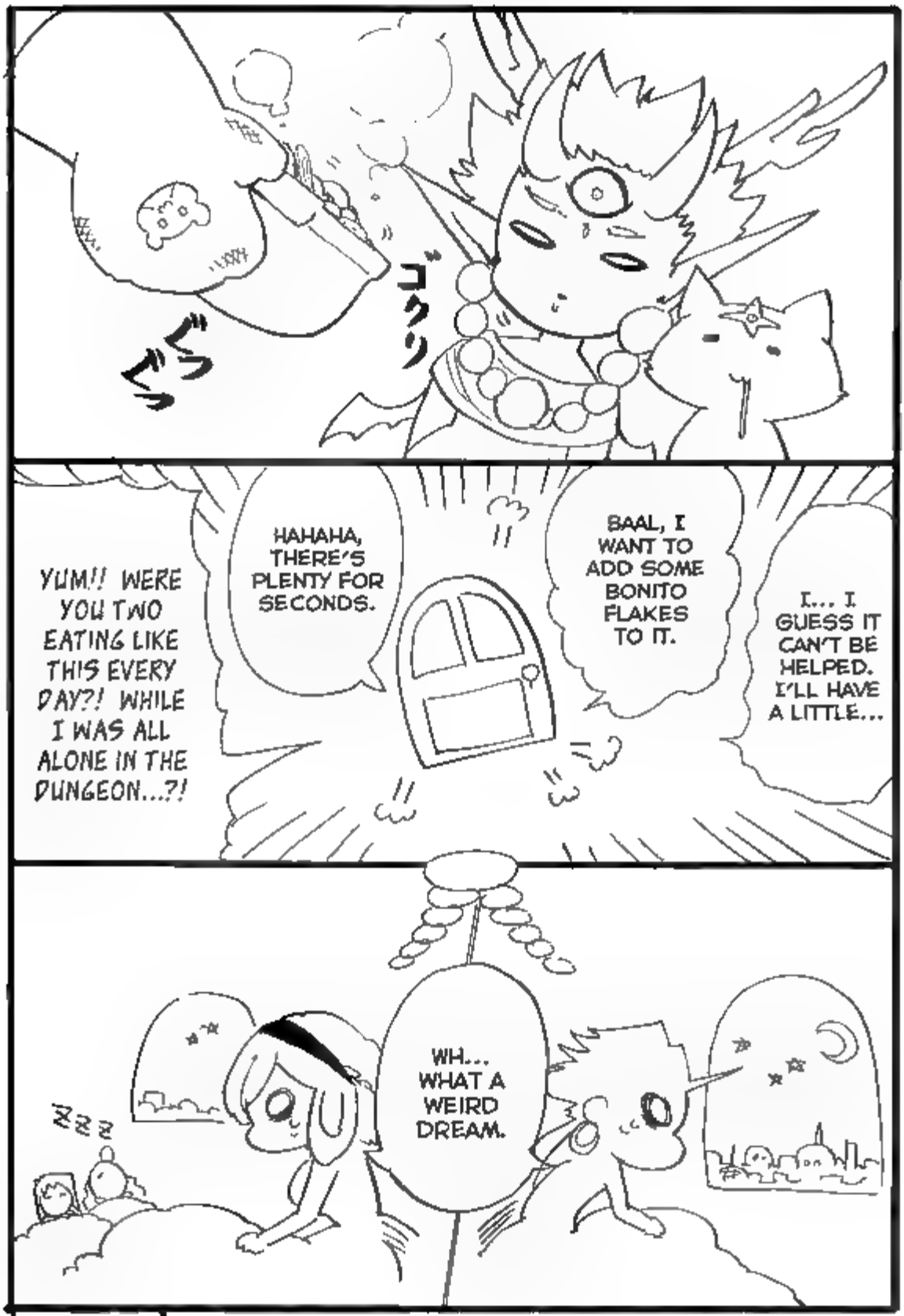
WHY ARE YOU GUYS HERE?!!
.....LONG TIME NO SEE, ZEPAR. I'M GLAD TO SEE YOU'RE IN GOOD HEALTH.


FOR NOW, LET'S GO OVER THE FACTS.
MY MASTER IS CELENDINE. MY METAL VESSEL SHOULD BE HER SWORD.
After calming down
WHAT THE HELL? HAVE YOU COMPLETELY FORGOTTEN THAT YOU'RE SPIRITS?
WE DIDN'T DO ANYTHING! WE'VE JUST BEEN EATING, PLAYING GAMES, AND OCCASIONALLY DOING A BIT OF DIY.....
DID YOU GUYS DO SOMETHING WEIRD?
WHY AM I CAUGHT UP IN ALL THIS?
BAAL AND I HAVE THE SAME MASTER, SO I CAN SEE HOW ONE MIGHT MIX OUR METAL VESSELS UP, BUT...
Hmmm
WE CAN'T FIGURE THIS OUT ON AN EMPTY STOMACH. WHY DON'T WE HAVE SOME OF THIS AND TALK THINGS OUT.
NOW, NOW, CALM DOWN, ZEPAR.
UGH. THAT DIDN'T HELP ME UNDERSTAND ANYTHING!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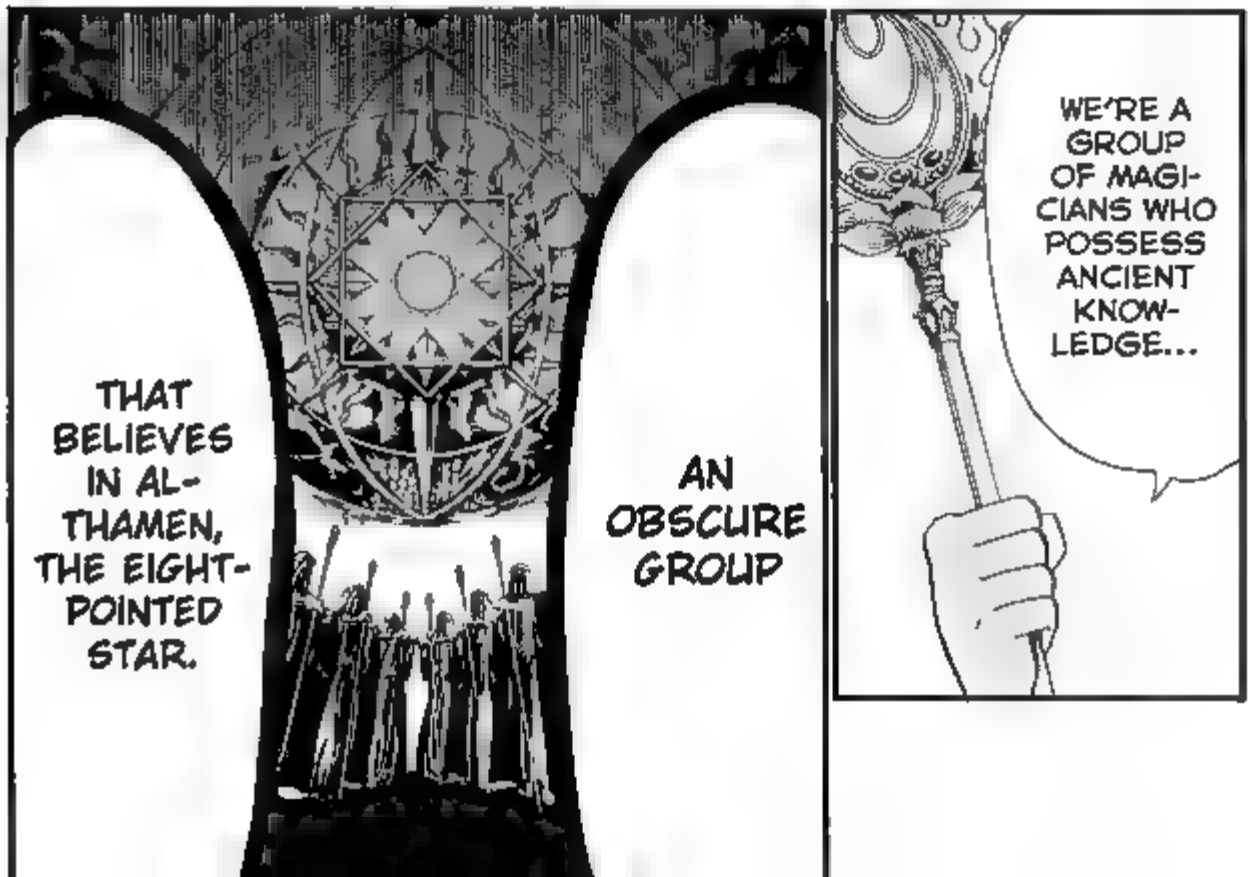
YUM!! WERE YOU TWO EATING LIKE THIS EVERY DAY?! WHILE I WAS ALL ALONE IN THE DUNGEON...?!
HAHAHA, THERE'S PLENTY FOR SECONDS.
BAAL, I WANT TO ADD SOME BONITO FLAKES TO IT.
I... I GUESS IT CAN'T BE HELPED. I'LL HAVE A LITTLE...
ZZZ
WH... WHAT A WEIRD DREAM.

THE END

NIGHT 140: AL-THAMEN

OF AN ORGANIZATION THAT STRIVES TO DESTROY DESTINY AND RETURN THIS WORLD TO ITS PROPER STATE.
I'M NOTHING MORE THAN A LOWLY MEMBER
SOMEONE WHO DETESTS DESTINY.
I'M MERELY

YES.
ORGANIZATION?
THERE ARE OTHERS OUT THERE LIKE YOU?


THAT BELIEVES IN ALTHAMEN, THE EIGHT-POINTED STAR.
AN OBSCURE GROUP
WE'RE A GROUP OF MAGICIANS WHO POSSESS ANCIENT KNOWLEDGE...

I HAVE GREAT EXPECTATIONS OF YOU.
SIN-BAD,
AL-THAMEN.
PLEASE USE YOUR POWER AS A SINGULARITY TO RETURN THIS WORLD TO ITS PROPER STATE.

IF YOU'LL HELP US,
WE WON'T HESITATE TO LEND YOU OUR ASSISTANCE.

AS YOU CAN SEE, I'M CURRENTLY BUSY WITH THE PREPARATIONS FOR THE CREATION OF MY OWN KINGDOM.

I CAN'T TAKE ON YOUR REQUEST ...

BUT NOT YET.

I KNEW YOU OF ALL PEOPLE WOULD UNDERSTAND .....

JUST AS I EXPECTED.

.....ALRIGHT.

BUT WHEN THE TIME IS RIGHT, I'LL LEND YOU MY STRENGTH.

THERE'S VALUE TO HAVING FORMED THIS CONNECTION WITH SINBAD WITHOUT HIM REALIZING MY TRUE INTENTIONS.

THAT'S RIGHT... SHE'S A MAGICIAN BARBAROSSA KEEPS CLOSE AT HAND.

DON'T WORRY. I'LL KEEP OUR DISCUSSIONS TODAY BETWEEN THE TWO OF US.

SINBAD,
I'LL TAKE MY LEAVE.
HOWEVER, PLEASE [redacted] ONE THING.
I'LL USE ANYONE I CAN, NO MATTER WHO THEY ARE.....
THE ONLY THING THAT CAN ELIMINATE THAT POSSI-BILITY
IS YOUR STRENGTH AS A SINGU-LARITY.
DESTINY WILL CAUSE YOU TO SUFFER SOME DAY.

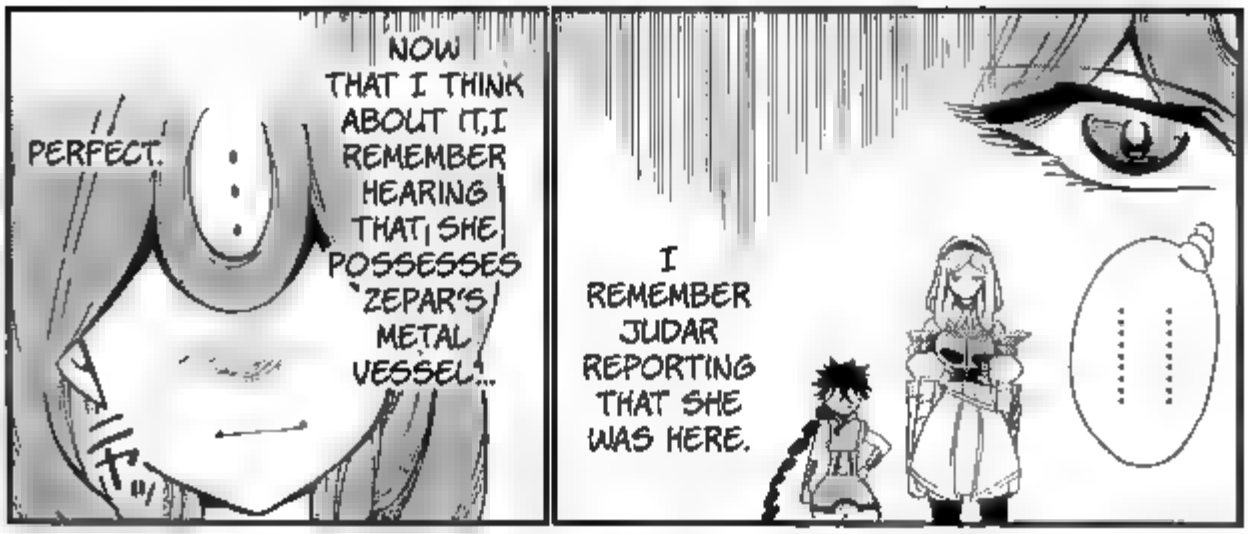
PLEASE USE THIS.....
IF DESTINY EVER LEADS YOU TO DESPAIR,
AND YOU WISH TO BREAK FREE OF ITS RULES,
I'M SURE SOME-ONE LIKE YOU...
WILL BE ABLE TO USE THIS POWER TO CUT THROUGH DESTINY.
IT CAN'T COMPARE TO THE METAL VESSEL OF A TRUE DJINN, BUT IT IS ENDOWED WITH A SPECIAL POWER.
THIS IS A METAL VESSEL WE CREATED.

PLEASE ACCEPT THIS AS PROOF OF OUR SINCERITY.

DID YOU FINISH YOUR DISCUSSION, HAG?

JUDAR.
.....
I ASKED YOU TO STOP TALKING LIKE THAT, DIDN'T I?
AH... SHUT UP ALREADY.
IF YOU NEED SOME-THING, USE MAGIC TO...
BESIDES, YOU SHOULDN'T BE TALKING TO ME HERE.
...
HUH?
IF YOU DON'T LIKE IT, COMPLAIN TO THEM.
SOMEONE SAID THEY WANTED TO MEET YOU, SO I BROUGHT THEM.

IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME, ROYAL MAGICIAN FALAN.
YOU REMEMBER HER, RIGHT? PRINCESS CELENDINE OF PARTHEVIA.
FALAN, I NEED TO SPEAK WITH YOU .....


PERFECT.
NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, I REMEMBER HEARING THAT SHE POSSESSES ZEPAR'S METAL VESSEL...
I REMEMBER JUDAR REPORTING THAT SHE WAS HERE.
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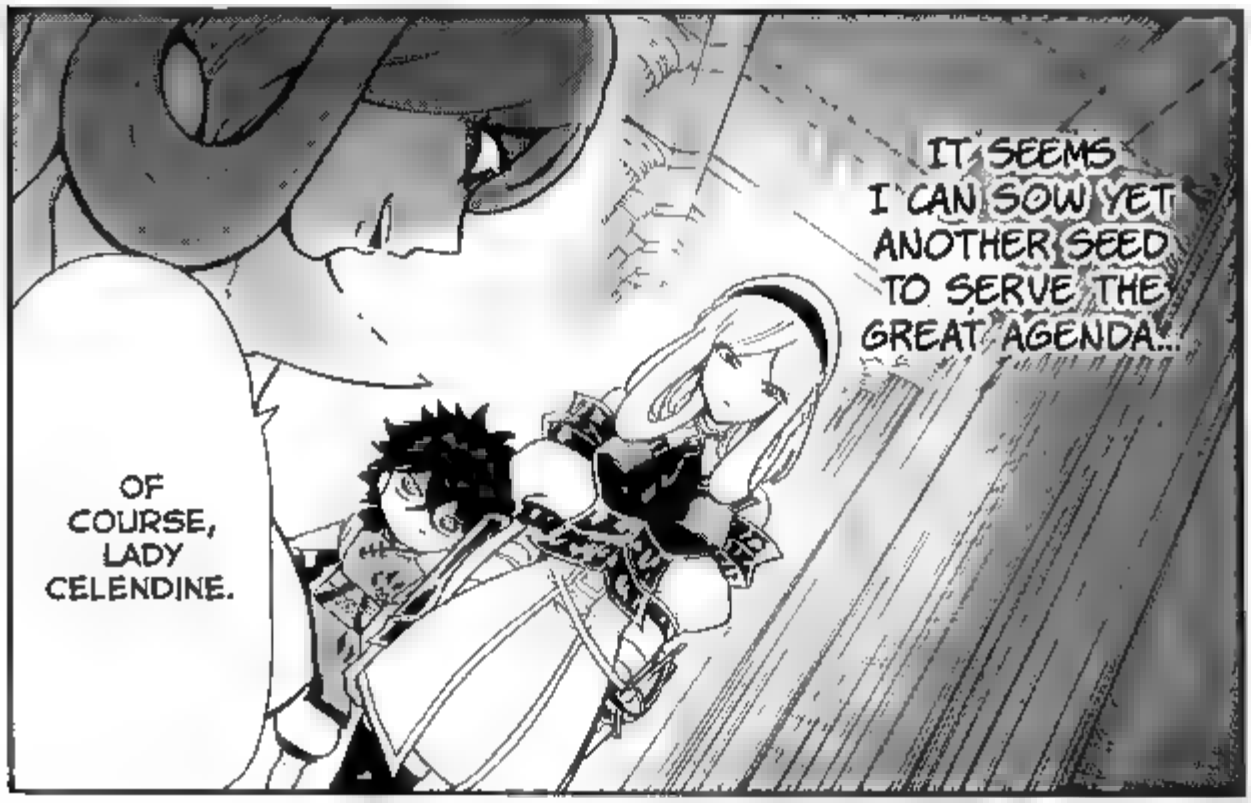
IT SEEMS I CAN SOW YET ANOTHER SEED TO SERVE THE GREAT AGENDA...
OF COURSE, LADY CELENDINE.

I ALSO HAVE SOMETHING IMPORTANT TO TELL YOU.

DESTINY,
SINGULAR-
ITY . .

THAT'S RIGHT. TO CHANGE THE WORLD, YOU NEED THE POWER OF A KING...!
YOU DON'T HAVE ENOUGH POWER YET...
SINBAD, YOU'LL BECOME A MAN WHO CAN CHANGE THE WORLD.
YOU'VE BEEN CHOSEN TO DO SOMETHING GREAT WITH YOUR LIFE...!

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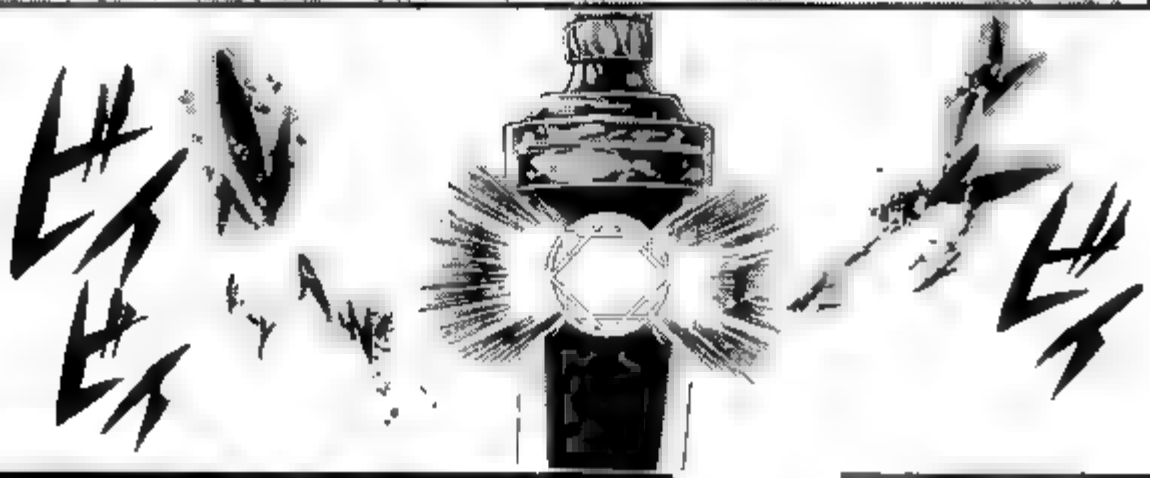
I..... MUST KEEP MOVING FORWARD.

IT'S TOO LATE TO WORRY ABOUT DESTINY.



OF JUDAR, CELENDINE, OR HER TWO ATTENDANTS... ANYWHERE AROUND THE COMPANY.

A FEW DAYS AFTER FALAN'S VISIT...

THERE WAS NO SIGN

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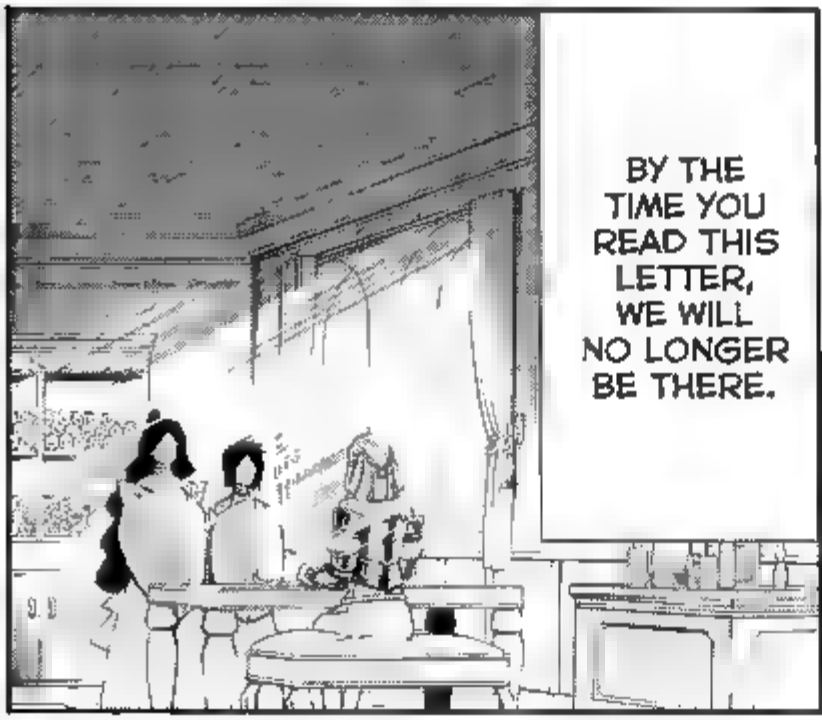
NIGHT 141: VARIOUS PATHS


BY THE TIME YOU READ THIS LETTER, WE WILL NO LONGER BE THERE.

TO EVERY-ONE IN MY BELOVED SINDRIA TRADING COMPANY

...YOU SHELTERED US WHEN WE WERE BEING HUNTED AND HAD NO PLACE TO GO.
I AM REALLY GRATEFUL TO YOU ALL.

TAUGHT ME HOW TO WORK, AND WELCOMED ME AS A FELLOW EMPLOYEE...
YOU ADMONISHED ME WHEN I CONTINUED TO ACT RUDELY EVEN THOUGH I KNEW I OWED YOU A GREAT DEBT,

PLEASE FORGIVE ME.
PARTING IN THIS WAY MUST BREAK THE HEARTS OF ALL THOSE THAT LOOKED AFTER ME, BUT
I THANK YOU FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART.

I PRAY...
JUST LIKE YOU HAVE THINGS YOU MUST DO, I HAVE SOMETHING I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH. THAT IS WHY I MUST GO.
THAT SOME-DAY... FATE WILL BRING US ALL TOGETHER AGAIN...
GOOD-BYE.
.....
.....WE HAVE TO GO AFTER HER.

I MEAN... SERENDINE AND THE OTHERS ARE STILL WANTED, AREN'T THEY? LEAVING THEIR SAFE HAVEN HERE...

STOP, PIPIRIKA.

I'M GOING TO LOOK FOR THEM. IF I GO NOW...

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WE HAVE NO IDEA WHAT MIGHT HAPPEN TO THEM!!

IS DANGE-ROUS!

YOU UNDERSTAND THE TRUTH, DON'T YOU, PIPIRIKA?

WE HAVE NO RIGHT TO STOP THEM. BESIDES...

WHETHER WE'RE TOO LATE OR NOT, THIS IS SOMETHING THEY DECIDED FOR THEM-SELVES.

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IF WE LET GRIEF CONSUME US, NOTHING WILL BEGIN.
CHEER UP, EVERY-ONE.
IT'S ONLY NATURAL THAT WE'D RUN INTO DIFFERING OPINIONS ABOUT THE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR COMPANY.
THERE WILL BE THOSE WHO CHOOSE A DIFFERENT DIRECTION. IT SEEMS CELENDINE WAS ONE OF THEM...

IN ORDER TO CREATE AN IDEAL WORLD ...
IN ORDER TO CREATE AN IDEAL STATE,
WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO KEEP MOVING FORWARD FOR THE SAKE OF THOSE WE'VE LOST ALONG THE WAY.
BUT THE PROGRESS WE'VE MADE CANNOT BE HALTED.

WE WILL CREATE OUR OWN COUNTRY !!
EVERY ONE... PLEASE LEND ME YOUR STRENGTH.

YES!!

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... I'M RELIEVED TO SEE YOU STAYED.
DRAKON!
I COULDN'T KEEP MY PROMISE.
I'M SORRY ...
I WAS SURE YOU LEFT WITH CELENDINE AND THE OTHERS.....

YOU'RE WRONG, SINBAD.
YOU MUST THINK THAT'S INEXCUSABLE.
CELENDINE BEGGED ME NOT TO GET INVOLVED WITH PARTHEVIA, BUT IT TURNED OUT LIKE THIS.
IT'S JUST AS YOU SAID BEFORE.
IT JUST MEANS THAT EVERYONE HAS THEIR OWN PATH THEY MUST FOLLOW.
THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH THAT.
IF THE SITUATION CHANGES, IT'S ONLY NATURAL FOR DIFFERING OPINIONS TO EMERGE.
BESIDES, I MADE UP MY MIND LONG AGO.
TO ME... YOU ARE ALREADY...
AND CELENDINE HAS HERS. THAT'S ALL THERE IS TO IT.
YOU HAVE YOUR OWN BELIEFS

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NOT LADY CELEN... I'LL FOLLOW THE PATH MY MASTER HAS CHOSEN... BY HIS SIDE.

THESE FEELINGS OF YOURS...
DEFINITELY WON'T WASTE...

THANK YOU...
DRAKON...

I'LL MAKE SURE WE SUCCEED. WE WILL CREATE OUR COUNTRY!!

HMM... SO THIS IS SINDRIA TRADING COMPANY?
DON'T YOU, SINBAD ...?
YOU'VE GOT A PRETTY NICE PLACE HERE,

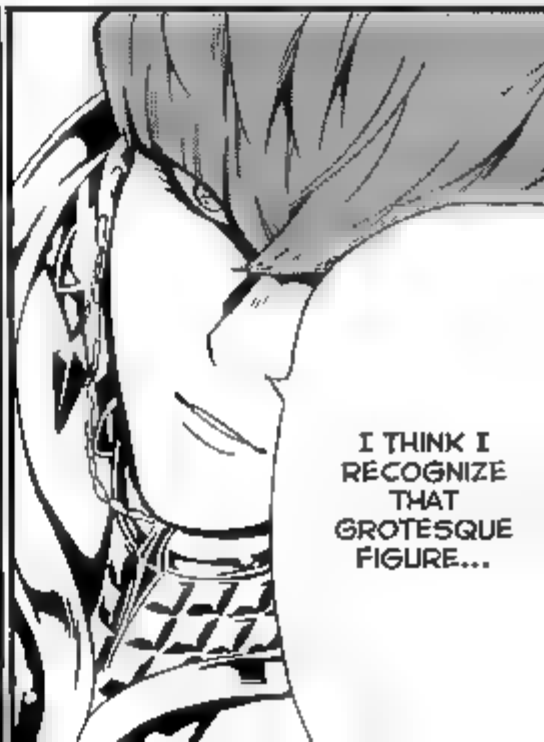
YOU HAVEN'T CHANGED AT ALL.

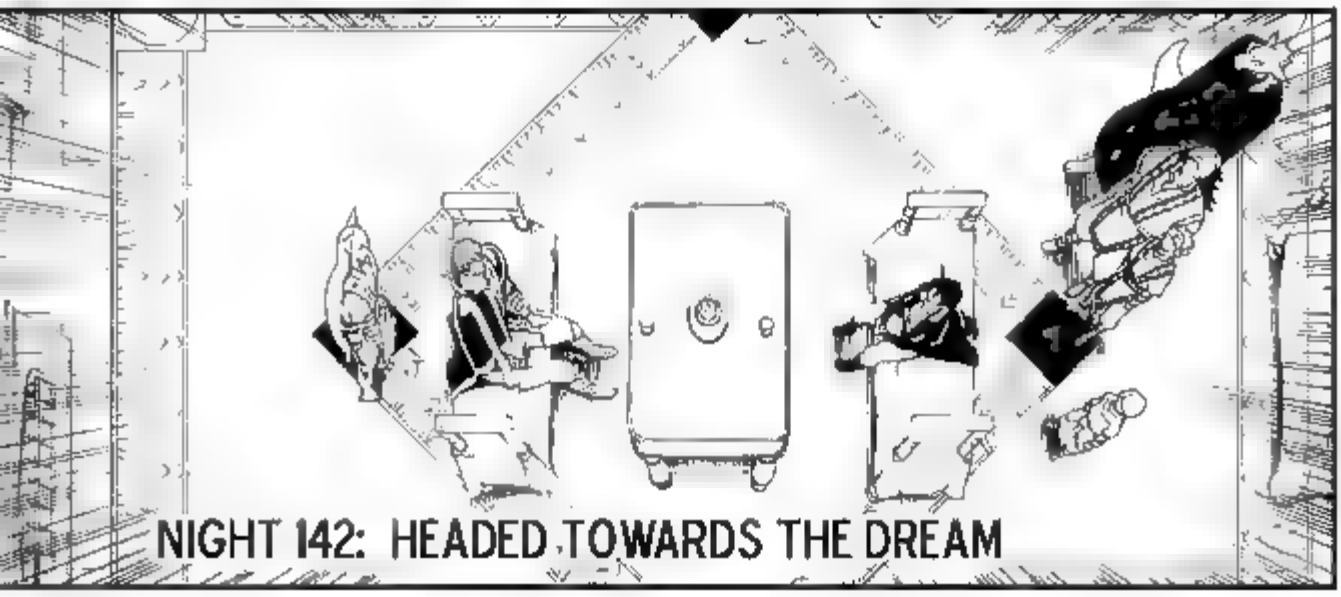
...BA...

!!?

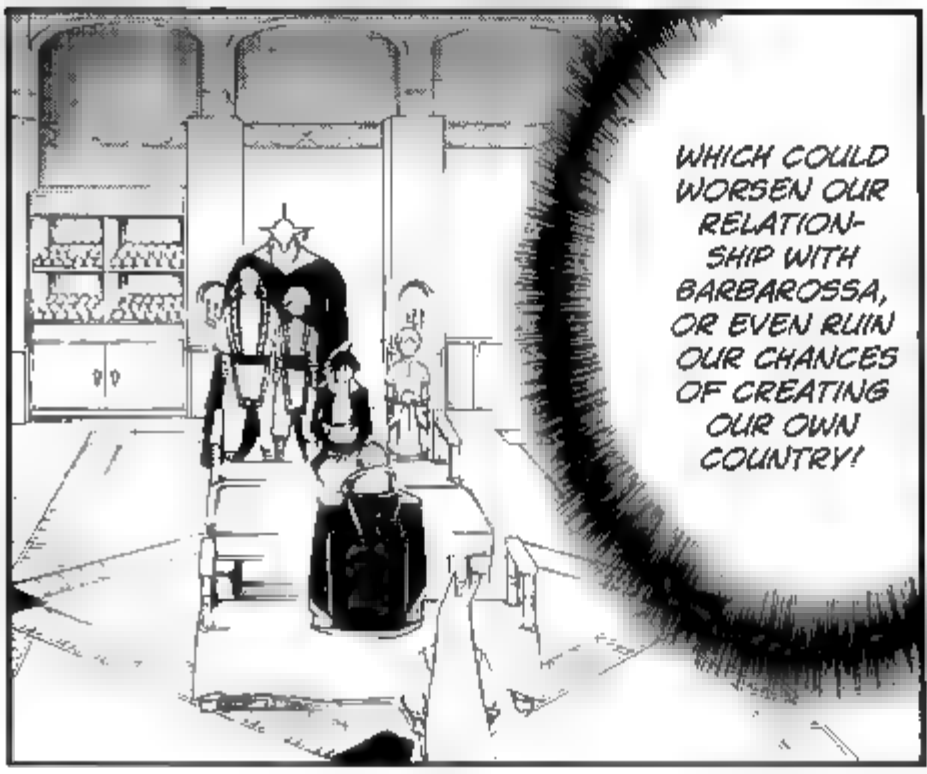
BARBA-ROSSA ...!!
I HAD SOME BUSINESS WITH KING RASHID.
I AM LURING THE GREAT SINDRIA TRADING COMPANY AWAY FROM BALBADD, SO I NEEDED TO COME PAY MY RESPECTS.
U... UM... WE DIDN'T HAVE ANY PLANS TO MEET TODAY, DID WE...?
NO, I JUST DECIDED TO DROP BY.
I JUST INTENDED TO DROP BY WHILE I WAS HERE, BUT.....
..... WHAT DO WE HAVE HERE...?

SINBAD.
I CAN'T WAIT TO HEAR YOUR EXPLANATION,


I THINK I RECOGNIZE THAT GROTESQUE FIGURE...


NIGHT 142: HEADED TOWARDS THE DREAM

NOW... I'D LIKE TO HEAR YOUR EXPLANATION, SINBAD.


WHICH COULD WORSEN OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH BARBAROSSA, OR EVEN RUIN OUR CHANCES OF CREATING OUR OWN COUNTRY!

OH NO...

IF OUR ANSWER DOESN'T SATISFY HIM, IT WILL LEAD TO SUSPICION...

A WANTED CRIMINAL IS ANOTHER MATTER.

CHILDREN, FORMER SLAVES...
I'VE KNOWN SINCE THE BEGINNING THAT SINDRIA TRADING COMPANY EMPLOYS ALL KINDS OF PEOPLE.
I NEVER SAID A THING ABOUT YOU EMPLOYING EITHER OF THEM, BUT.....

THAT MAN THREW THE PARTHEVIAN ROYAL PALACE INTO CHAOS
HE'S A WANTED CRIMINAL.
AND IS WANTED FOR KIDNAPPING THE PRINCESS.
IN OTHER WORDS, HE'S A BITTER ENEMY OF PARTHEVIA.
...THAT BEING THE CASE, SHOULDN'T YOU HAVE REPORTED IT TO ME?
NO. IT WAS UNNECESSARY.

BUT THAT WAS WHEN YOU WERE STILL A SOLDIER WORKING IN THE PALACE, WASN'T IT?
FORGIVE MY RUDENESS, LORD BARBAROSSA...

NOW, YOU'RE THE HEAD OF THE INDEPENDENT NATIONALIST PARTY.
YOU'VE STARTED YOUR OWN GOVERNMENT AND NO LONGER WORK FOR THE MONARCHY. THERE'S NO LONGER ANY POINT IN HUNTING DOWN SOMEONE WANTED BY THE ROYAL FAMILY.
... YOU SAID SO YOURSELF, DIDN'T YOU?

...IT'S TRUE I SHOULD APOLOGIZE FOR THE DELAYED EXPLANATION.
BUT DRAKON IS ALREADY AN EMPLOYEE OF MY COMPANY.
EVEN IF SOMEONE IS A WANTED CRIMINAL, IF THEY'RE A TALENTED AND CAPABLE PERSON, I WANT THEM ON MY SIDE.
THAT'S
MY BELIEF AND THE BELIEF OF SINDRIA TRADING COMPANY,
LORD BARBAROSSA.

...YOU'RE RIGHT.
THAT'S ALL TRUE, SINBAD.
I AGREE WITH YOU.
...HUH ?!
WHAT, DID I REALLY WORRY YOU?
...THAT'S WHY I HAVEN'T EVEN THOUGHT ABOUT TRYING TO APPREHEND HIM.

BESIDES, I'VE ALWAYS KNOWN. I WAS AWARE OF YOUR POINT OF VIEW.
THAT'S TOO BAD... THERE'S NO POINT IN WORRYING ABOUT ALL OF THAT NOW.
IT SEEMED LIKE A GOOD CHANCE, SO I DECIDED TO TEST YOU.
I WAS WAITING FOR YOU TO TELL ME ON YOUR OWN, BUT I GUESS IT DIDN'T TURN OUT THAT WAY...
!!
AND THAT YOU'VE BEEN WORKING ALONGSIDE TRAITORS FROM SHAM LASH.
!!
AND THAT YOU WERE HIDING MY LITTLE BROTHER AND PRINCESS CELENDINE. EVERYTHING.

ALL WHILE PRETENDING NOT TO KNOW...!
SO, THAT MEANS HE MADE AN ALLIANCE WITH SINDRIA TRADING COMPANY DESPITE KNOWING EVERY-THING...
HE KNEW ?!
WELL, I GUESS THAT MAKES SENSE. SHE MUST STILL THINK OF ME AS AN ENEMY, AFTER ALL. I SUPPOSE IT'S JUST NATURAL THAT YOU'D KEEP HER HIDDEN, HUH?
...ALTHOUGH, I HAVEN'T SEEN PRINCESS CELENDINE ANYWHERE...

SHE LEFT WITH A SMALL GROUP THIS MORNING.
I'M NOT LYING.
IF YOU DOUBT THAT, YOU'RE WELCOME TO TAKE A LOOK AT THE NOTE SHE LEFT.
THE TRUTH IS, CELENDINE IS NO LONGER HERE.
...NO. I HAVE NO DESIRE TO KEEP HER HIDDEN.
I SEE.
.....
IF YOU ALREADY KNEW EVERYTHING, YOU SHOULD UNDERSTAND.
LET'S END THIS FARCE, LORD BARBAROSSA.

CELENDINE WAS AN ADVOCATE FOR ROYAL LINEAGE. SHE WANTED TO TAKE BACK HER HOME COUNTRY WITH HER OWN TWO HANDS...

I KNEW THAT AND COULD HAVE GONE ALONG WITH HER IDEAS.

BUT I DIDN'T.

BECAUSE I MET YOU,

GOT TO KNOW YOU,

AND SAW WHAT YOU ACCOMPLISHED, NOT WITH ROYAL BLOOD, BUT WITH A POLITICAL PARTY... SEEING YOU SET UP A NEW GOVERNMENT OF AND FOR THE PEOPLE MADE A DEEP IMPRESSION ON ME.

THE WAY PARTHEVIA IS TODAY IS THE WAY THE WORLD SHOULD BE...
I BELIEVED THAT, SO I BECAME YOUR ALLY.
I CHOSE YOU.
OR BETRAYING YOU!!
I HAVE NO INTENTION OF DECEIVING YOU...

YOU'RE ACTING LIKE SOME-ONE MEANT TO LEAD OTHERS.
...THAT'S HOW YOU'VE CHANGED.
YOU'VE CHANG-ED.
HUH?
SO... WHAT WILL YOU DO?
JUNIOR.

CAN YOU REALLY ALLY YOURSELF WITH YOUR WORST ENEMY?

YOU HATED ME ENOUGH TO WANT TO KILL ME.

JUNIOR?

HOW ABOUT IT,

MY MASTER IS NOW... SINBAD.

.....I WILL,

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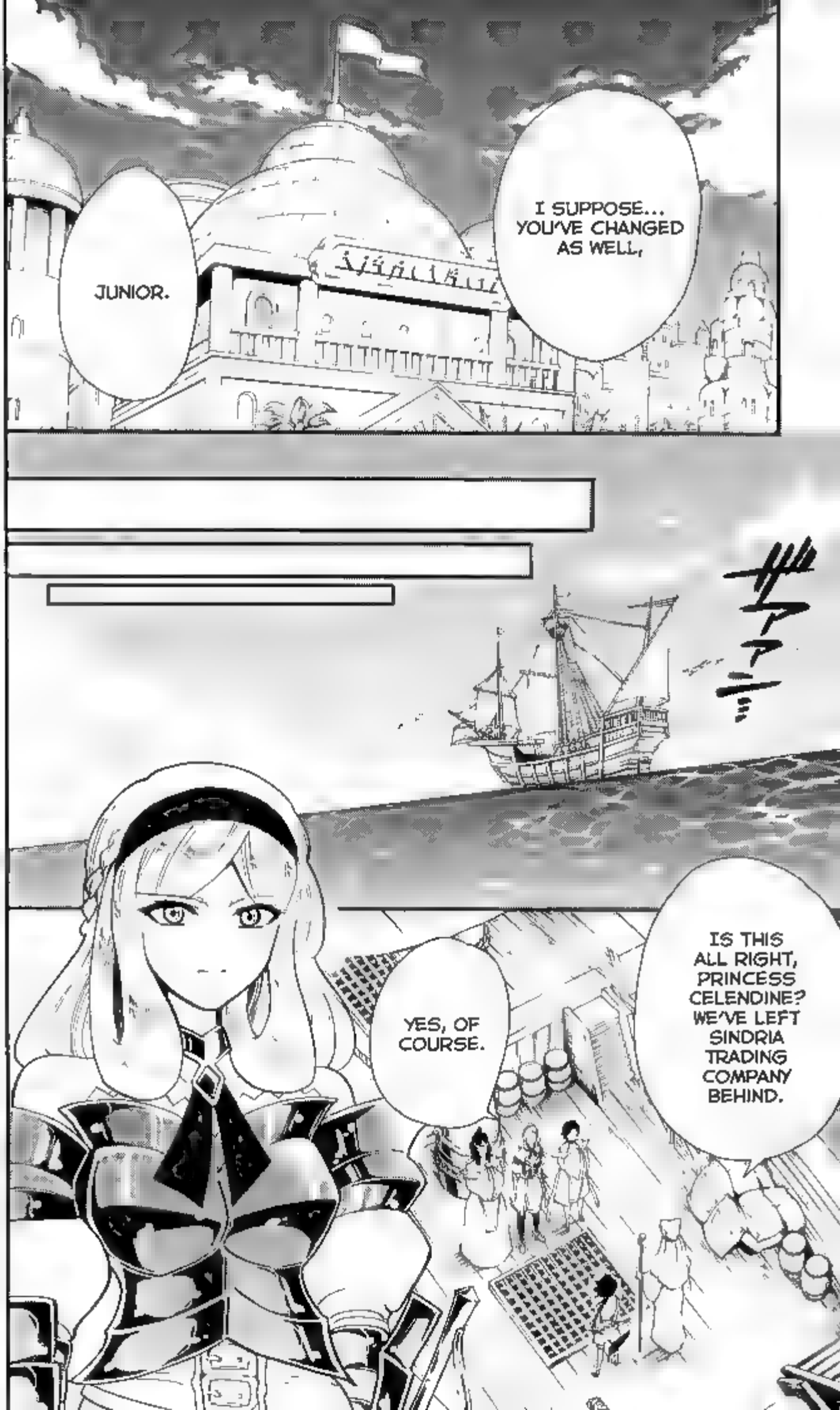
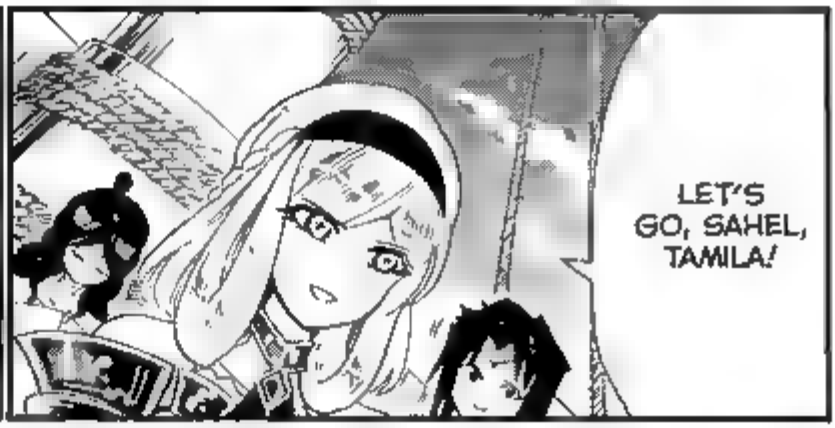
I'LL OBEY MY MASTER'S WISHES.
EVEN IF YOU'RE MY FORMER ENEMY,

THAT
IS THE NEW DRAKON.


JUNIOR.
I SUPPOSE... YOU'VE CHANGED AS WELL,
YES, OF COURSE.
IS THIS ALL RIGHT, PRINCESS CELENDINE? WE'VE LEFT SINDRIA TRADING COMPANY BEHIND.

THERE WAS NOTHING MORE I COULD DO THERE. BECAUSE OF THAT,

I HAVE TO MOVE ON SO I CAN DO WHAT I MUST DO.



AND WHILE CAUGHT UP IN ACHIEVING THEIR GOALS...

AND SO... SINDRIA TRADING COMPANY MADE STEADY PROGRESS TOWARDS FOUNDING THEIR OWN COUNTRY,

A YEAR PASSED...

NIGHT 143: THE KINGDOM OF SINDRIA
IS ALREADY 18.
THAT LITTLE BOY I ONCE KNEW ...
I'VE BEEN KEEPING MY EYE ON YOU ALL THIS WHILE.
HEY, SINBAD. IT'S BEEN A WHILE, HUH?

I WONDER WHAT KIND OF WORLD YOU'RE GOING TO CREATE.

I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING IT, SINBAD.

YOU'VE REALLY... REALLY GROWN UP

AND YOU'VE FINALLY REALIZED YOUR DREAM

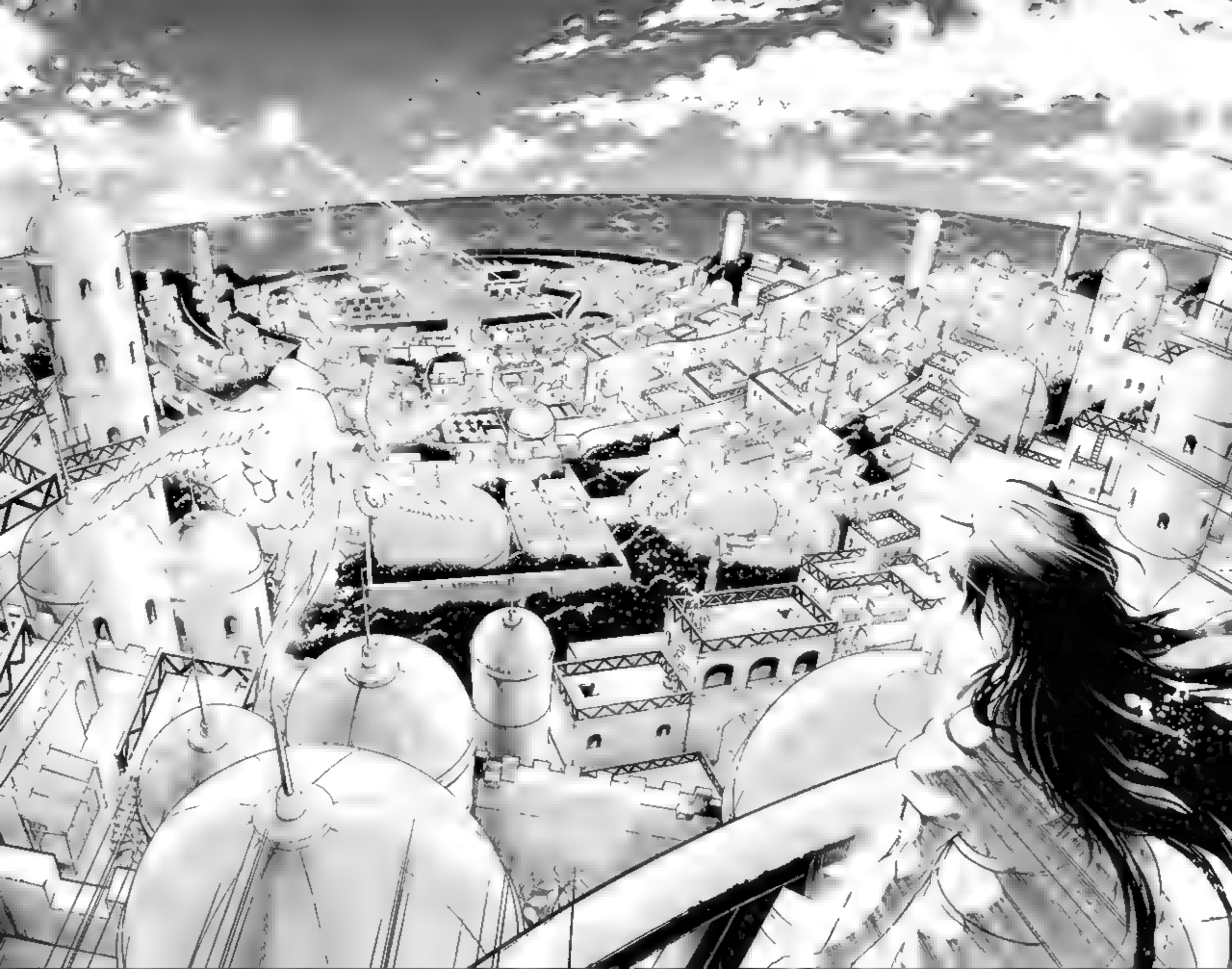
HOW NOSTALGIC TO DREAM ABOUT THAT GUY.

A DREAM ...?

.....

... YUNAN ?

AFTER ALL, I'M ALREADY ..
THAT'S ALL IN THE PAST NOW
I'VE MET MANY FRIENDS AND ALLIES SINCE THEN...
WHEN I WAS JUST 14 YEARS OLD, YUNAN LED ME TO MY FIRST DUNGEON...



AND THEY ARE FINALLY MAKING THE LAST PREPARATIONS FOR THE KINGDOM OF SINDRIA'S FOUNDING CEREMONY.

A YEAR HAS PASSED SINCE SINDRIA TRADING COMPANY MADE THEIR AGREEMENT WITH PARTHEVIA.

YES.

JA'FAR.

MORNING. LET'S START WITH THE MORNING REPORTS.

WE'RE ON TARGET WITH OUR HOUSING PLANS IN THE RESIDENTIAL SECTOR.

AT OUR CURRENT RATE OF PROGRESS, THERE SHOULD BE NO ISSUE MEETING OUR GOAL TO HOLD OUR FOUNDING CEREMONY IN THREE MONTHS

HOWEVER THERE'S NO END TO THE NUMBER OF THOSE FROM OTHER COUNTRIES THAT HOPE TO EMIGRATE PERHAPS WE SHOULD START REJECTING APPLICATIONS. .

ISN'T IT, JA'FAR?

thought you'd say that

. . . I UNDER-STAND WE'LL FIND A WAY TO EXPAND THE RESI-DENTIAL SECTOR.

WE'LL ACCEPT ALL THOSE IN NEED. THAT'S OUR COUNTRY'S POLICY.

NO. LET THEM ALL IN.

THAT'S ALL THE UPDATES FROM THE ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT

IT SEEMS LIKE THE NEWS OF OUR PLANS TO FOUND OUR OWN COUNTRY INCREASED THE PUBLIC'S TRUST IN OUR COMPANY. THE SPREAD OF THAT NEWS IS LIKELY THE PRIMARY CAUSE OF THE INCREASE IN PROFITS.

YES! SALES AT OUR REIM AND BALBADD LOCATIONS ARE UP 180% FROM LAST YEAR.

VITTEL.

MAHAD.

MISTORAS, HINAHOHO, DRAKON.

THE ONLY THING LEFT TO DO IS CALL EVERYONE HERE FOR THE FOUNDING CEREMONY

LAND, SEA, AIR - ALL OUR TRADE ROUTES HAVE BEEN PERFECTED THANKS TO THE HELP OF OUR ALLIES.

HERE I AM, YOUR MAJESTY!

SPEAKING OF THE CEREMONY, THE ONLY RSVP OUTSTANDING IS FROM HELIOHAPT...

VERY GOOD.

WHERE'S SHARRKAN?

I ONLY JUST RECEIVED THE LETTER.

HELIOHAPT WILL ATTEND THE FOUNDING CEREMONY... WITH THIS, WE'LL HAVE ALL OUR ALLIED COUNTRIES IN ATTENDANCE!!

THAT'S RIGHT. PLEASE START THINKING OF YOURSELF AS A "KING."

NO, IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR OUR FOUNDING CEREMONY.

HEY, HEY... ISN'T IT STILL A LITTLE EARLY TO START CALLING ME "YOUR MAJESTY"?

IT SHOULD BE A LIVELY CELEBRATION, SHOULDN'T IT, YOUR MAJESTY?!

SPEAKING OF WHICH, YOUR CLOTHES!! JUST HOW LONG ARE YOU GOING TO CONTINUE DRESSING LIKE A MERCHANT?!

WELL ABOUT THESE

KING SINBAD!

WE WON'T FORGIVE YOU IF THE KING OF SINDRIA LOOKS SHABBIER THAN HIS RETAINERS!

EVEN SO, THERE'S A LIMIT!

IT CAN'T BE HELPED CAN IT?!! I'VE BEEN SO BUSY WITH EVERYTHING ELSE THIS PAST YEAR, THERE WASN'T TIME TO WORRY ABOUT THINGS LIKE THAT!

AH, BUT IF YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT SOMEONE THAT'S REALLY GROWN, YOU CAN'T FORGET HIM.

THAT'S TRUE JA'FAR HAS DEFINITELY GROWN QUITE A BIT

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WELL, YOU'VE ALL GROWN SO MUCH.

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I'M SORRY I'M LATE, SINBAD...

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TRUE... I WAS DEFINITELY SURPRISED BY HIS GROWTH.

ALL LETTERS FOR YOU.

THESE ARE..

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SHAR YOU CAN'T SAY THAT IT'S LIKE ACKNOWLEDGING YOU ALREADY LOST

HEY, MASRUR, DON'T STAND NEXT TO ME!

...THANK YOU, EVERYONE.

I'M TRULY GRATEFUL... THAT YOU'VE ALL BELIEVED IN ME AND FOLLOWED ME THIS FAR.

THERE ARE ONLY THREE MONTHS LEFT UNTIL OUR FOUNDING CEREMONY. IT'S THANKS TO YOUR STRENGTH AND EFFORTS THAT WE'VE MADE IT THIS FAR

TO MAKE YOU ALL... GENERALS OF SINDRIA AS A SYMBOL OF OUR COUNTRY'S NEW FREEDOM AND STRENGTH.

THAT'S WHY I'D LIKE

YOU'RE MAKING US

GENERALS WHO WILL SUPPORT SINDRIA..

I WANT US TO MAKE THIS NEW COUNTRY INTO THE KINGDOM OF SINDRIA TOGETHER.

SINBAD AND THE SEVEN RETAINERS THAT SUPPORT HIM...

HM? WELL... NO.

YOU DIDN'T INCLUDE ME?!

WAIT A MINUTE!!

HUH?

THE SEVEN GENERALS!

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AND YOU DON'T REALLY HAVE A SKILL YOU PARTICULARLY EXCEL AT SO YOU CAN'T REALLY BE A "GENERAL" CAN YOU?

AFTER ALL, YOU DON'T HAVE A HOUSEHOLD VESSEL YET,

PLEASE MAKE ME A GENERAL, TOO!! YOU CAN'T LET MASRUR BE A GENERAL AND NOT ME!! I CAN'T STAND IT!!

WAAH!!

Calm down

OKAY, OKAY!!

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IT'S DECIDED THEN.

MAHAD.

VITTEL.

JA'FAR

DRA-KON.

THREE MONTHS LEFT UNTIL SINDRIA'S FOUNDING CEREMONY.

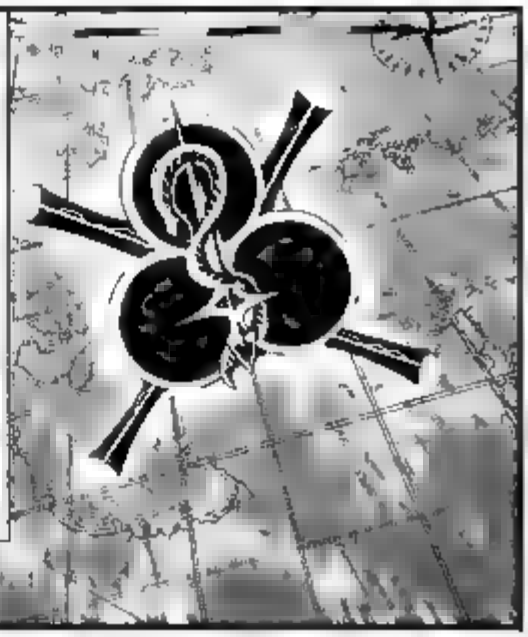
IT IS ONE YEAR BEFORE SINBAD FOUNDS HIS OWN COUNTRY. THE STATE OF THE WORLD HAS BEEN CHANGING.

THAT, COMBINED WITH THE GRADUAL PAYMENT OF REPARATIONS FROM OTHER COUNTRIES, BEGAN TO REVIVE THE ECONOMY IN PARTHEVIA.

THE PARTHEVIAN EMPIRE RECEIVED A VAST SUM OF MONEY IN RETURN FOR EXTENDING THEIR INVITATION TO SINDRIA TRADING COMPANY

THEIR TRADE GREW AND THEY RAPIDLY BEGAN TO REGAIN THEIR FORMER POWER AS A LARGE EMPIRE.

THEIR INFLUENCE BEGAN TO GROW, AND THEY QUICKLY ROSE TO THE FOREFRONT AS A COUNTRY THAT HAD ABOLISHED ITS MONARCHY AND GAINED THE ATTENTION OF OTHER COUNTRIES.



AS THE NEW POSSESSORS OF THE KINGDOM OF SINDRIA, PARTHEVIA HAS COME TO BE CONSIDERED THE NEW CENTER OF THE WORLD. THAT IS THE STATEOF THE ERA WE NOW ENTER...
CONGRA-TULATIONS, SINBAD.
AT LONG LAST, YOU ONLY HAVE A FEW MONTHS LEFT UNTIL YOU HOLD YOUR FOUNDING CEREMONY. . WE'RE LOOK NG FORWARD TO IT

THIS IS ALL THANKS TO YOUR SUPPORT. I TRULY OWE YOU A DEBT OF GRATITUDE...
WE'VE FINALLY MADE IT THIS FAR.
THANK YOU.

BESIDES, IT'S NOT LIKE THIS IS THE END. THINGS ARE ONLY GOING TO GET MORE CHAOTIC FROM NOW ON.
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? WE DIDN'T DO MUCH OF ANYTHING. YOU ACCOMPLISHED THIS ALL WITH YOUR OWN POWER.

NOT REIM, NOT BALBADD. WE ARE THE NEW DRIVING FORCE IN THE WORLD.
WE'RE NOW THE CENTER OF THE WORLD.

LET'S CHANGE THE WORLD TOGETHER.

YOU AND ME.

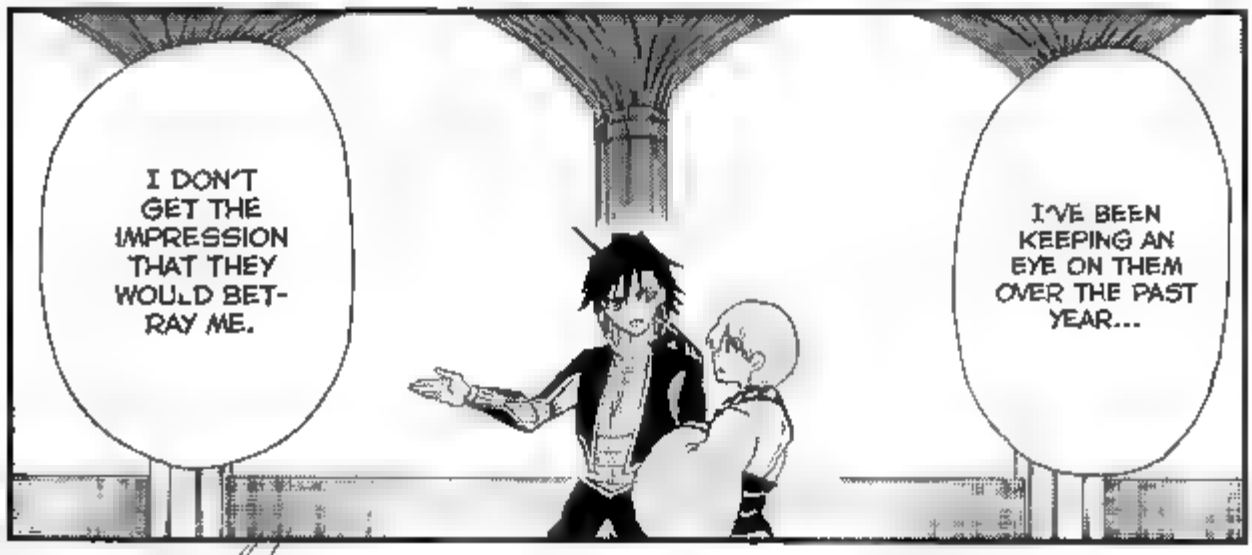
WHAT?

IS THIS ALL RIGHT, YOUR HIGHNESS?

IS IT REALLY ALL RIGHT TO KEEP A GROUP LIKE THAT IN YOUR POCKET... ?

THEY AREN'T MEMBERS OF YOUR PARTY THEY'RE AN UNRULY MOB THAT HASN'T EVEN BEEN SUBJECTED TO ANY THOUGHT CONTROL.

THEY'VE COME THIS FAR BECAUSE THEY'RE SKILLED. BESIDES...
IT'S NOT A PROBLEM.


I DON'T GET THE IMPRESSION THAT THEY WOULD BETRAY ME.
I'VE BEEN KEEPING AN EYE ON THEM OVER THE PAST YEAR...

NO MATTER HOW THEY STRUGGLE, I HAVE THEM IN THE PALM OF MY HAND.

EVERYTHING IS AS I PLANNED.
AS YOU WISH.

NO,
PERHAPS IT'S MORE THAT THEY CAN'T BETRAY ME.

BESIDES, IT'S INTERESTING, ISN'T IT?
CURRENTLY, PARTHEVIA IS LEADING THE WAY IN THE CREATION OF THIS NEW ERA.
OUR COUNTRY, ONCE CONSIDERED A FALLEN EMPIRE, HAS ACHIEVED THAT... CONTROLLING THE HEARTS OF THE PEOPLE...
REALLY WAS QUITE A SIMPLE THING TO DO.

IF THIS FAVORABLE WIND CONTINUES TO BLOW, WE'LL BECOME EVEN STRONGER BY THE TIME SINDRIA HOLDS THE R FOUNDING CEREMONY THE DAY WHERE WE WILL CONTROL THE WORLD DRAWS NEAR.

IF PEOPLE CHANGE, THE WORLD WILL CHANGE.

..... LET'S GO SECURE OUR NEXT PAWN.

GO ACCORDING TO YOUR PLANS. .

MAY EVERY-THING...

WOW... AMAZING!!

LOOK!! SO MANY PEOPLE!

Yamraiha Magician

CHANCELLOR MOGAMETT!!

RIGHT, CHANCE-LLOR?!

.....YEAH.

I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THIS IN MUSTA-SHIM!

THEY LOOK LIKE THEY'RE HAVING FUN. AND THERE ARE LOTS OF SHOPS, TOO!

STOP LOOKING AROUND SO MUCH.
YAMR-AIHA.
Matal Mogamett Chancellor of the Magnostadt Academy
DO YOU UNDERSTAND, YAMRAIHA?
YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE ANY MORE CONTACT WITH THE GOI THAN ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY.
WE MAGICIANS ARE A UNIQUE EXISTENCE IN A WORLD FULL OF "GOI".
THIS PLACE IS DIFFERENT FROM OUR SCHOOL.
YES. CHANCE...LOR.

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FOR CALLING SOMEONE LIKE ME HERE ?
WHAT REASON COULD THE LEADER OF THE PARTHEVIAN EMPIRE HAVE
WELL, WHAT BUSINESS DO YOU HAVE WITH ME?

COUNTLESS MAGICIANS DIED IN THE WAR BETWEEN MUSTASHIM AND PARTHEVIA. .

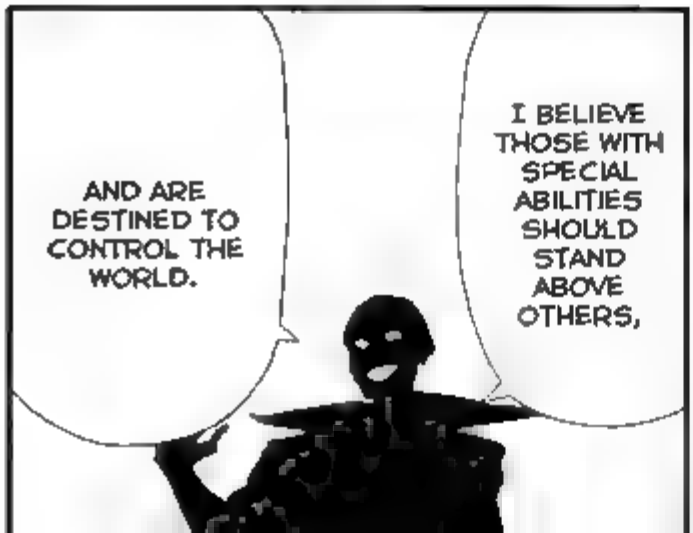
. . . . AS A FORMER GENERAL, YOU SHOULD ALREADY BE AWARE.

I HAVE NOTHING TO DISCUSS WITH A FORMER ENEMY NATION.
WE'RE JUST HERE DOING A LITTLE MAGIC RESEARCH, ALTHOUGH IT'S BARELY ANY MORE THAN A FEW ELEMENTARY PRINCIPLES.
DOING A LITTLE MAGIC RESEARCH... ?
THAT'S NOT WHAT I HEARD.
WHAT ..... ?
I KNOW ALL ABOUT IT.
YOU MAGICIANS WERE USED TERRIBLY.
SOMETIMES AS SHIELDS DURING TIMES OF WAR,
SOMETIMES AS SCAPEGOATS FOR THE SOURCE OF AN EPIDEMIC.

YOU'VE DECIDED TO CREATE A "COUNTRY OF MAGICIANS."
IN ORDER TO ESCAPE THE CONTROL OF THE GOI,
JUST LIKE LIVESTOCK. COUNTLESS LIVES OF MAGICIANS WERE LOST DUE TO THE IDLENESS OF THOSE AROUND YOU...
YOU'VE BEEN SPENDING DECADES IN PREPARATION TO DO SO, HAVEN'T YOU?
MATAL MOGAMETT.
WHERE D D YOU HEAR THAT?

BUT I DON'T CARE ABOUT THAT.
I HAVE ALLIES IN MANY PLACES. IT'S NOT DIFFICULT TO LEARN THAT MUCH.

THAT'S WHY I CALLED YOU HERE TODAY.
I WANT TO HELP YOU WITH YOUR REVOLUTION.


AND ARE DESTINED TO CONTROL THE WORLD.
I BELIEVE THOSE WITH SPECIAL ABILITIES SHOULD STAND ABOVE OTHERS,

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MATAL MOGAM-ETT,

YOU AND I ARE OF ONE MIND.
WE SHOULD OSTRACIZE THE FOOLISH HUMANS AND LEAD THE WOR-LD ALONGS DE ONLY THE EXTR-AORDINARY.

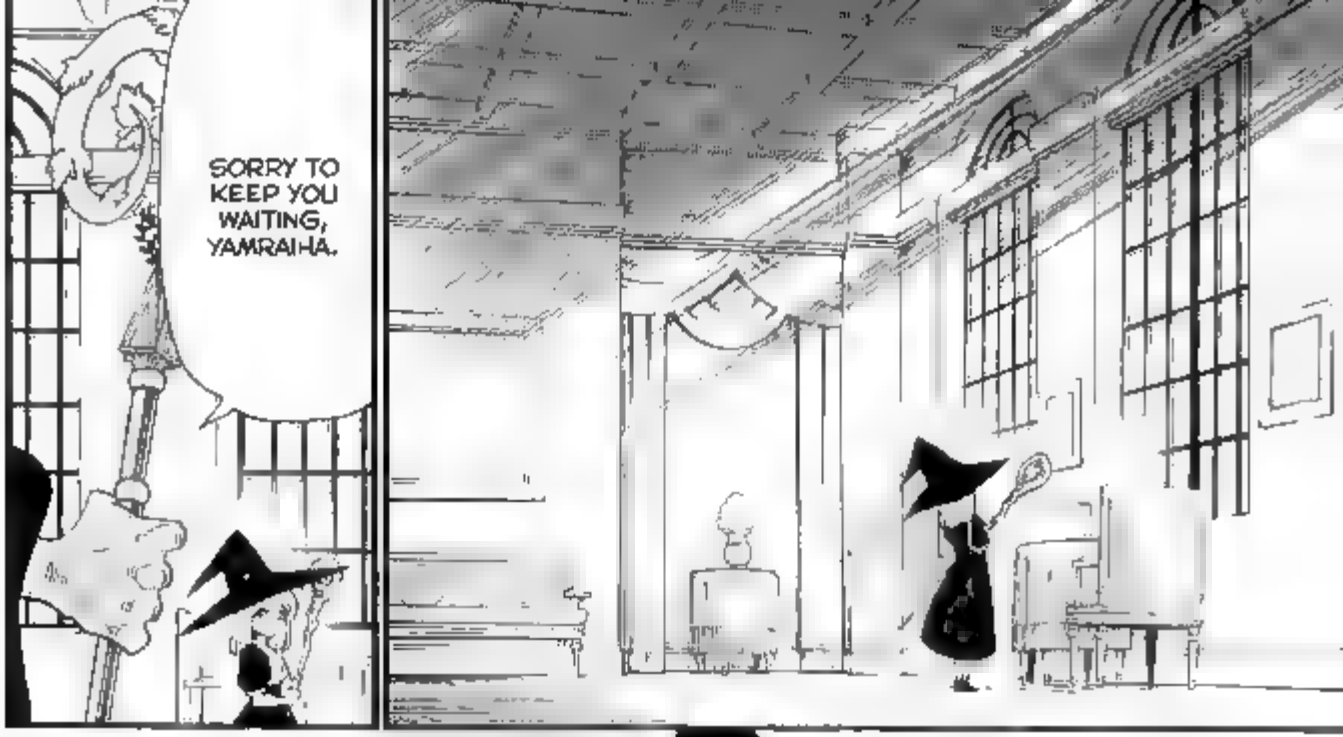
MAGICIANS HAVE SPECIAL ABILITIES.
NO, THEY'RE BORN WITH THE ABILITY TO FEEL THE RUKH AND READ THE PULSE OF THE WORLD, AND BECAUSE OF THAT, MAGICIANS MAY ACTUALLY BE THE TRUE DOMINANT PEOPLE OF THE WORLD.

LET US CREATE A "COUNTRY OF MAGICIANS."

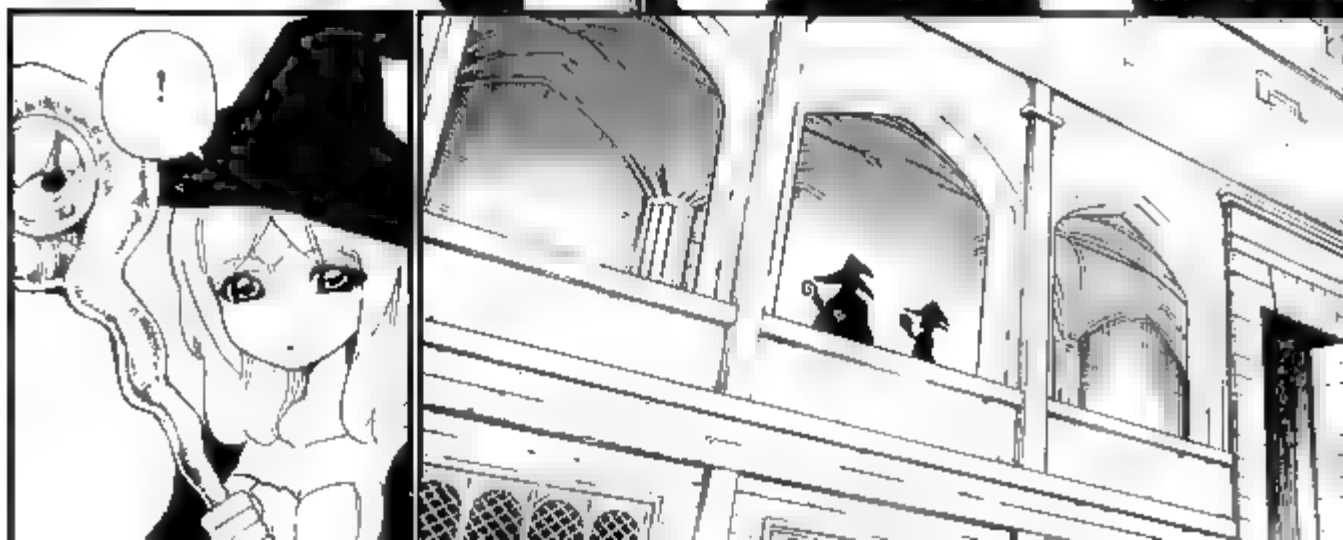
MATAL MOGA-METT.

LET'S CREATE A MAGICIAN'S COUNTRY,

NIGHT 145: THE SOUND OF REVOLUTION


SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING, YAMRAIHA.

YES... NOW, LET'S HEAD BACK TO THE ACADEMY.
CHANCELLOR MOGAMETT! ARE YOU DONE WITH YOUR TALK?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didn't do anything

King! Listen to this! This jerk, Masrur. !!

Thanks for waiting, Shamkan, Masrur

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I WONDER WHY THAT BOY IS STARING AT THIS DIRECTION ALL OF A SUDDEN....
OH NO... NOW I'M NERVOUS. WHAT SHOULD I DO?!

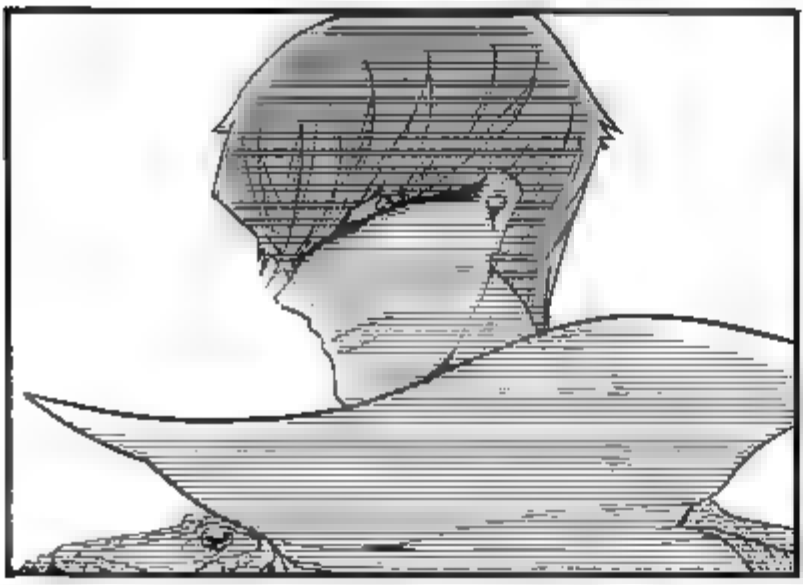
LET'S GO, YAMRAIHA.

WHY IS SHE STARING AT ME?!
A... A CUTE GIRL... !!
C... COULD SHE BE INTERESTED IN ME?!

COMING!

LET'S GO, SHARRKAN

"SUPREME RULER" BARBAR-OSSA



ALTHOUGH THE NAME OF THE COUNTRY HASN'T CHANGED, IN REALITY IT IS BEING REBUILT AS A COMPLE-TELY DIFFERENT COUNTRY.

THE PARTHEVIAN EMPIRE IS CURR-ENTLY LEAD BY BARBAROSSA... AND IS UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE INDEPENDENT NATIONALIST PARTY.

WITH THE OVERWHELMING SUPPORT OF THE PEOPLE BEHIND HIM,
HE BEGAN TO REBUILD THE COUNTRY'S STRENGTH
PARTY LEADER BARBAROSSA BECAME THE "SUPREME LEADER" AND GAINED COMPLETE CONTROL OF THE COUNTRY AS ITS NEW LEADER
EVERYONE THOUGHT THAT NOTHING COULD CHALLENGE THE STABILITY OF BARBAROSSA'S POLITICAL POWER...
EXCEPT FOR ONE GROUP

A FORCE TO OPPOSE THE CURRENT GOVERNMENT HAD APPEARED...

RESISTANCE AGAINST BARBAROSSA'S ADMINISTRATION

THOSE PROTESTS HAVE NOW TAKEN CENTER STAGE, AND REPORTS INDICATE THEY HAVE STARTED TO REDUCE THE IMPACT OF OUR PARTY MEMBERS' HARD WORK.

...THE RESISTANCE FACTION CONTINUES THEIR PROTESTS.

Four Heavenly Generals
Memphis

THERE'S NOTHING SPECIAL TO DISCUSS, IS THERE?

INDEED IT DOES. BESIDES, THIS SORT OF SITUATION IS NOTHING NEW. .

.. IT SEEMS LIKE THE CURTAIN HAS BEEN DRAWN, AND IT'S TIME FOR THE FOUR HEAVENLY GENERALS TO MAKE OUR APPEARANCE.

Four Heavenly Generals
Shaka

Four Heavenly Generals
Zayzafon

Four Heavenly Generals
Rotter

ROTTER, WHAT DO YOU THINK...?

I AGREE.

THIS IS MERELY A TEMPORARY ROAD BLOCK, JUST AS OUR ISSUES IN THE PAST.

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ENOUGH IS ENOUGH, ROTTER.

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..UH, SORRY... WHAT WERE WE TALKING ABOUT?

UM... WELL, I THINK THAT'S GOOD, TOO!

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ROTTER!

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THE OTHER DAY WHEN YOU WERE ON GUARD AT THE BORDER, YOU AND YOUR ENTIRE FORCE WERE NAPPING ON THE JOB.
BUT THIS IS NOT AN ISOLATED INCIDENCE DURING OUR DISCUSSIONS TODAY!
TH... THAT'S WHY I SAID I'M SORRY
YOU'VE BEEN SLACKING OFF A LOT RECENTLY. THIS IS NO WAY TO ACT. YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE A PART OF THE FOUR HEAVENLY GENERALS, LED BY HIS HIGHNESS.
JUST WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING AT SUCH AN IMPORTANT JUNCTION? ARE YOU TRYING TO HUMILIATE HIS HIGHNESS?
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.....OKAY.
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ENOUGH. YOU CAN GO.
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... MY, MY. IF HE CARRIES ON LIKE THIS, HE MAY BE DEMOTED FROM THE FOUR HEAVENLY GENERALS ..
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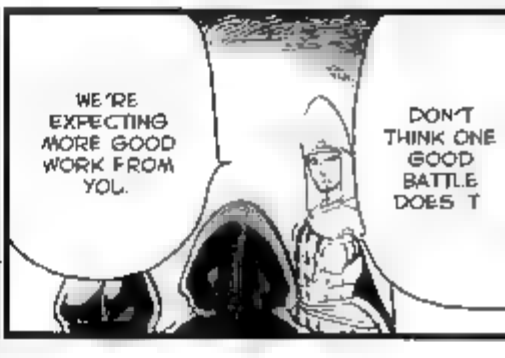
I'M BACK.
OKAY COME IN.

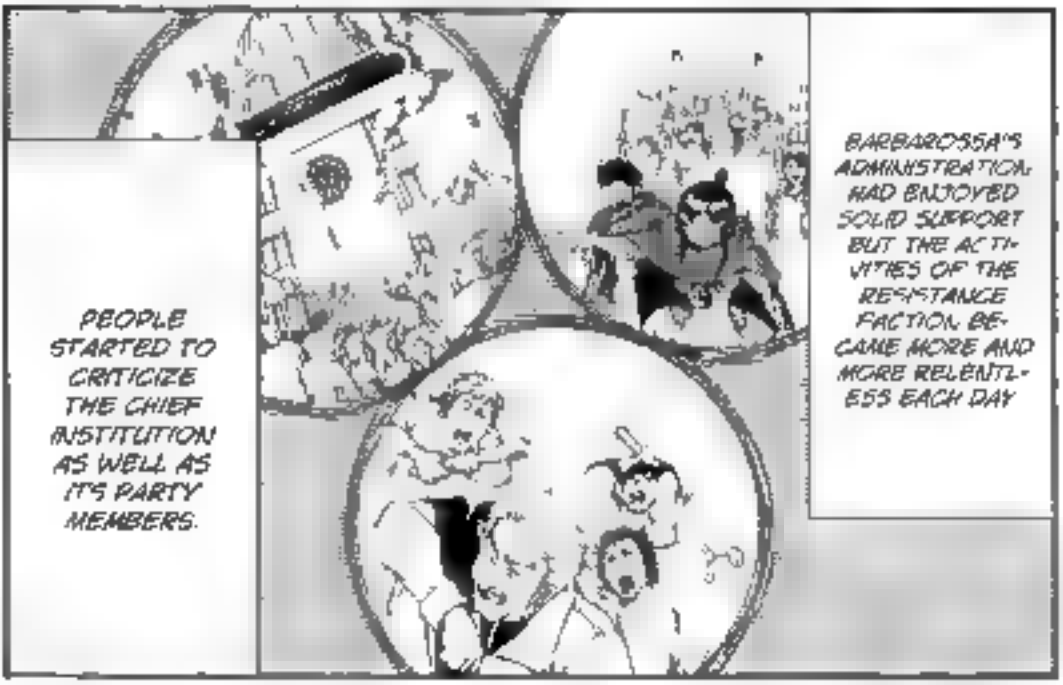
..... BE CAREFUL.
IT'S BEEN A YEAR SINCE BARBAROSSA SEIZED POWER. WE'VE FINALLY BEEN ABLE TO MAKE OUR MOVE.
HOW IS THE SITUATION?
THINGS ARE GOING WELL... WE REMAIN UNDISCOVERED.
AND CITIZENS BRANDED AS "UNPATRIOTIC" AND PERSECUTED BY BARBAROSSA AND HIS NEW GOVERNMENT...
THOSE GATHERED HERE ARE ALL SOLDIERS,
NOBLES,

WE WILL NEVER FORGIVE BARBAROSSA'S DESPOTISM!!

WE ARE THE "ARMY OF THE REVOLUTION"!

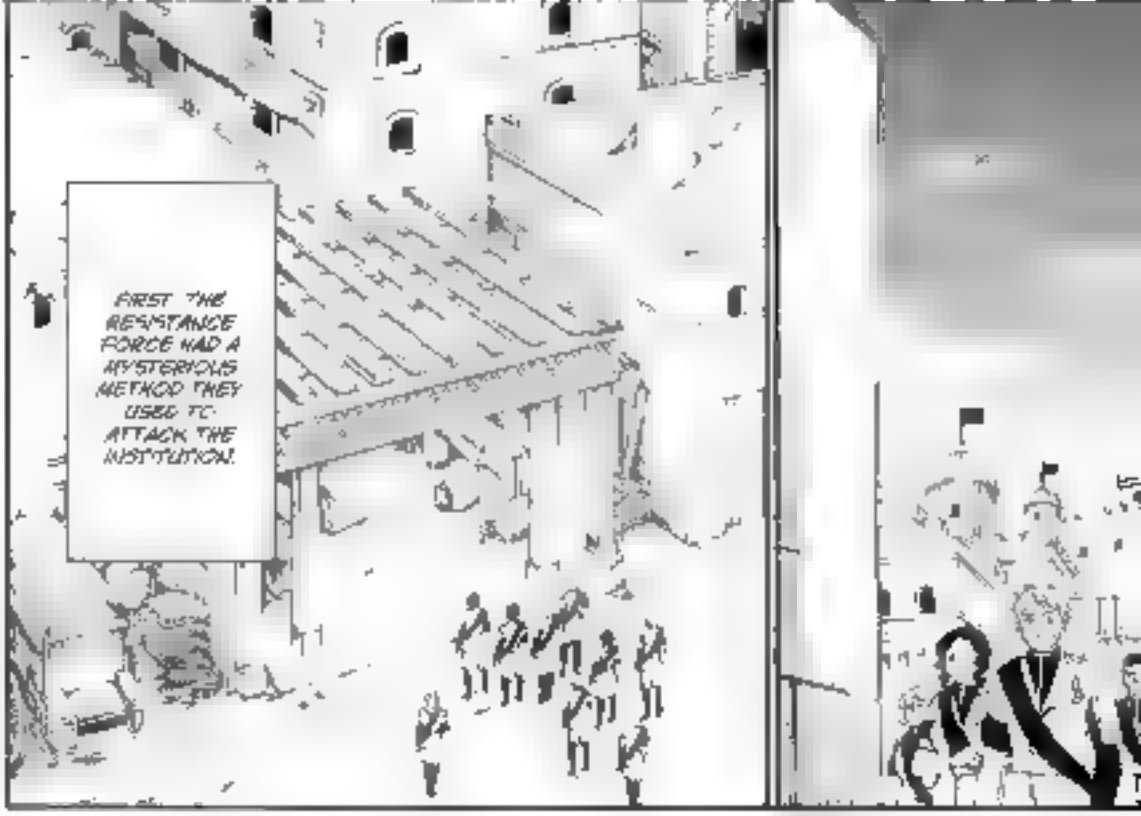


ONE WEEK AFTER BARBAROSSA'S DISCUSSION WITH MOSAMETT... THINGS SUDDENLY CHANGED.



BUT THERE WERE REASONS WHY THAT WASN'T THE CASE

HOWEVER, THE INCIDENTS WERE SMALL IN SCOPE AND EASILY SUPPRESSED. BASED ON THE EARLY STAGES OF THE RESISTANCE NO ONE EXPECTED IT TO AMOUNT TO MUCH


FIRST THE RESISTANCE FORCE HAD A MYSTERIOUS METHOD THEY USED TO ATTACK THE INSTITUTION.

THE CRIME WAS CLASSIFIED WITH SUCH A TECHNIQUE THAT IT SEEMED IMPOSSIBLE FOR ANY MERE HUMAN TO ACCOMPLISH IT
WITHOUT A SINGLE TRACE THAT ANYONE HAD BEEN THERE
IN A SINGLE NIGHT ALL OF THE FOOD STORES DISAPPEARED

AND THE STRANGE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE INCIDENTS PREVENTED ANY USEFUL INFORMATION FROM FALLING INTO THE HANDS OF PARTY MEMBERS.

PRESIDENT BARBAROSSA
SIR. THIS TIME THE RESISTANCE FORCE HAS ATTACKED THE WESTERN DISTRICT
WITHOUT ANY CLUES LEADING TOWARDS A RESOLUTION THE SITUATION WAS BEGINNING TO LOOK QUITE SERIOUS FOR BARBAROSSA'S SUPPORTERS.
PRESIDENT!
PRESIDENT!

HAVEN'T YOU FOUND ANY TRACE OF THE RESISTANCE FACTION?
NO. I STILL HAVEN'T RECEIVED ANY PERTINENT INFORMATION.
INDIVIDUALLY NONE OF THE INCIDENTS MAKE MUCH OF AN IMPACT.
BUT SINCE WE HAVE YET TO FIGURE OUT HOW THE RESISTANCE FACTION IS PULLING IT ALL OFF WE CAN'T REALLY GRASP THE REALITY OF EACH INCIDENT

YES, SIR!!
WE SHOULD HURRY UP AND DEAL WITH THEM WHILE THEY'RE STILL SMALL
I THOUGHT THE RESISTANCE WAS JUST A TRIVIAL MATTER, BUT THEY'RE PROVING TO BE QUITE TENACIOUS
AH... YES!!
ROTTER.
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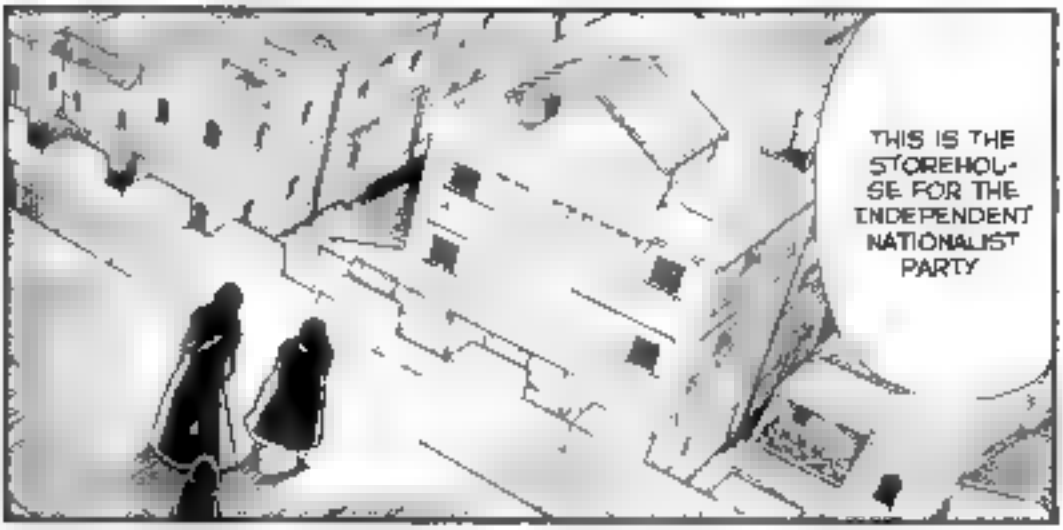
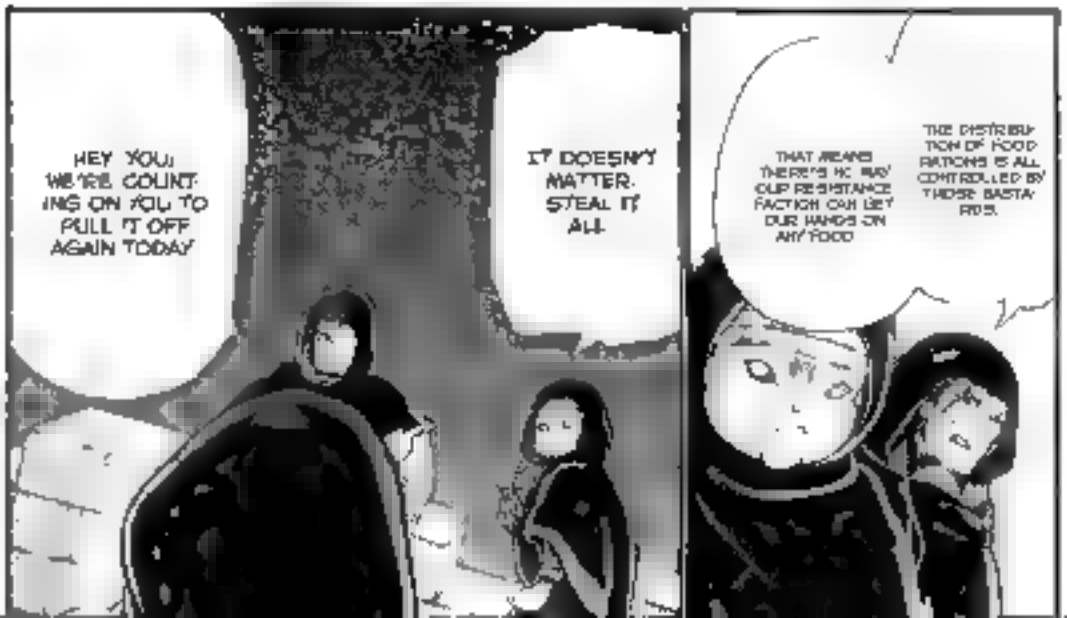
YOU SHOULD BE ASHAMED!!!
IN YOUR CURRENT POSITION, YOU CAN'T AFFORD TO BE SO EASY GOING.
NODDING OFF AGAIN DURING A MEETING.

YOUR RATS SHOULD BE USEFUL IN HELPING TO TRACK DOWN THE ENEMY HAVEN'T YOU LEARNED ANYTHING USEFUL?
THE RESISTANCE FACTION CAN SOMEHOW COMMIT CRIMES AGAINST US WITHOUT LEAVING A TRACE.
ROTTER.
WELL... I HAVEN'T REALLY LEARNED MUCH AT ALL.
EVEN HAVING MY RATS SEARCH HASN'T GONE WELL.
I'LL BE SURE TO BRING BACK ANY SCRAP OF INFORMATION I CAN.
P-PLEASE GIVE ME A LITTLE MORE TIME.
WE'LL RETURN TO OUR POSITIONS THEN.
DISMISSED.

YOUR HIGHNESS.
I HAVE SOMETHING I NEED TO TELL YOU.
THAT NIGHT
THE TRUTH IS.


THIS IS THE STOREHOUSE FOR THE INDEPENDENT NATIONALIST PARTY


HEY YOU! WE'RE COUNTING ON YOU TO PULL IT OFF AGAIN TODAY
IT DOESN'T MATTER. STEAL IT ALL
THAT MEANS THERE'S NO WAY OUR RESISTANCE FACTION CAN GET OUR HANDS ON ANY FOOD
THE DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD RATIONS IS ALL CONTROLLED BY THOSE BASTARDS.

....NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES I SEE IT, IT'S STILL DISGUSTING.
BUT IT'S THANKS TO HIM THAT WE'VE NEVER BEEN CAUGHT

AFTER ALL, NO ONE WOULD EVER GUESS THAT RATS WERE THE REAL CULPRIT

HEHEHE- TOMORROW ALL OF THE PARTY MEMBERS WILL BE IN SUCH A PANIC

ANOTHER MYSTERIOUS INCIDENT WILL HAVE OCCURRED!

THAT'S PLENTY YOU CAN STOP NOW.

STOP RIGHT THERE.
YOU BASTA-RDS.
I FINALLY FOUND YOU,

WHY IS HE HERE...?! DAMNIT!! RUN FOR IT!!
BARB-AROSSA ...?!

GUH!
GYAH!!

IF OUR OPPONENTS ARE FLESH AND BLOOD HUMAN BEINGS, THERE'S NO HOPE OF OVERCOMING US, A TRAINED GROUP OF ASSASSINS...
DON'T EVEN THINK OF RUNNING.

EXPLAIN YOURSELF.
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... YOU DON'T THINK YOU'RE CAPABLE OF DECEIVING ME, DO YOU?

TRAITOR
ROTTER.